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March 27, Deucation, British etr., 1,639, R. Mr. EDW J. Brown, London 26th January, and Firm in Hongko	ARD CUNNINGHAM in our the 1st of March.	E. Possession on THE Undersigned will Soll by Public Auction.	HAVE FOR SALE, EX LATE ARRIVALS, An ORDINARY GENERAL OF the SHAREHOLDERS of	the above Com-
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H. Gould, Saigon 22nd March, Rice.— JAEDINE, MATHESON & Co. Match 27, GLENFALLOCH, British str., 1,386, A. H. Taylor, Saigon 23rd March, Rice. date.	TEYERINK has been admitted in Promises No. 38-40	GLASSES, TABLE KNIVES, CORK	SACCONE'S MANZANILLA. CHABLIS. CHAPEAU LATOUR and Auditors.	December, 1377, Commencing at 1.30 P.M. ting Commentee Under the Patronage of Vice-Admiral Commencing at 1.30 P.M.
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March 27, Norna, British str., 606, Walker, Sion AGENT	Day established myself at this MERCHANT and COMMIS. Hongkong, 26th March, 187 Hongkong, 26th March, 187 TO LET. VENS & Co., who will hence.	8. [515] 6 Cases RIFLES and ACCOUTREMENTS. By Order,— Sundry Deceased Seamen's and Police Con-	BEAUNE. NUITS. Apply to RUE	Lieut. NEEDHAN, R.N. Lieut. Annesley, R.N. Lieut. Pike, R.N.
March 27, Pacific, German steamer, 69, forward conduct Petersen, Yap (Carolines) 15th March,	the Agency of the Australa- Apply to G. R. STEVENS. Mesers, SHARP, TOLLER,	And JOHNSON. Sundry CROCKERY WARE and GLASS- WARE ESSENCE of LEMON, ABSINTHE,	CHOICE OLD PORT. CURACAO. TANTE J. BUCHANAN. T	NING. Lieut. KELHAM, 74th Highlanders. Lieut. SAUNDERS, R.A.
March 27, Philip Fitzpareicz, American bark, 582, Phelan, Singapore 7th Feb., TAR. HORA	NOTICE. TO LET. TO GAY JAMES was ad- PARTNER in our Firm on DWELLING HOUSE	CHERRY BRANDY CALVE'S FOOT JELLLY, &c., belonging to J. R. WHITE, Bankrupt.	MARASCHINO. CHARTREUSE. CHERRY CORDIAL. Will undertake to TUNE P during his stay in the Colony.	ighlanders, bogs Assistant Commissary WHITEHEAD ongkong that he IANOFORTES PROGRAMME.
March 27, Northern Stae, British bark, the 1st January,	TERRACE; Possession from 1 GEO, R. STEVENS & Co. Apply to DOUGLAS LA	Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.	RUM PUNCH 1811 BRANDY. Exshaw's BRANDY. Address to Murray Barracks. Hongkong, 14th March, 1878	no follow. 1st Prize, \$4; 2nd Prize, \$4. [1m461 2.—Flat Race, 2 mile. 1st Prize, \$8; 2nd Prize, \$4.
CLEARANCES. VIR. THEO	NOTICE. DOR JOHANNES ENGEL- IT von PUSTAU has been A FIRST-CLASS GRAIT On the Praya, Wanchi.	NITE GODOWN Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. 524	Codevoisier's BRANDY. Von Hoboren's AVH. Subscriptions to date aggression of which sum Taels 6,000 have	egote \$10,883.44, Prize, \$2. already been re
W. E. Gladstope, Amer. bark, for Bangkok. Hongkong, 22 State of Alabama, British str., for Saigon.	WM. PUSTAU & Co. Apply to OLY OG AND CHINA GAS COM. Hongkong, 1st March, 1877	PHANT & Co. TANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,	BURNETT'S UNSWEETENED GIN. graphic Transfer. LISTS have Kohnstamm's CHAMPAGNE. BANKS, THE HONGKONG CLUB CLUB. Messrs. LANE, CRAV	o been left at the flights, entrance \$1. 1st Prize, Cup. FIGER & Co.'s. 5.—OFFICERS' HURDLE RACE—120 yards flights, entrance \$1. 1st Prize, Cup. 6.—HIGH JUMP—3 trials. 1st Prize, \$4; 2st
Angostura, German bark, for Tientsin. During the	Ir. THOMAS DANIEL COX Godowns attached.	CENTRAL, with the 28th March, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at No. 10, Seymonr Terruce, the Residence	GUINNESS, bottled by Burke. Messrs. MacEwen, Fricke Messrs. Lammert, Atkinson Gentlemen desirous of contrib DRAUGHT BASS. Apple their Names with A	L & Co.'s, and 7.—HURDLE RACE—120 yards. 10 flight at Co.'s. 1st Prize, \$8; 2nd Prize, \$4. 8.—FLAT RACE; 220 yards, open to Officers.
March 27, Albay, British Steamer, for East.	A NEWTON: A NEWTON: Manager. Hongkong, 1st February, 1	The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNI- N. SONS & Co., comprising DRAWING-ROOM S78. [11] CHAIRS, COUCHES, TABLE, MIRROR,	GINGER WINE. SCRIPTION to any of the above H.	Lists. B. GIBB, Chairman. Chairman. Kriny and Members of House kong Clubs, entrance Sl. 1st Prize, Cu S.—Three-Legged Race. 1st Prize, SS. 70 Fram Race. Araila 1st Prize, SS.
March 27, KJOBENHAVN, Danish steamer, for Shanghai. March 27 Cornway Pritish steamer for INHE Unders	NOTICE. NOTICE Signed have been appointed by I lately occupied by Mr.	OLLYWOOD ROAD, BOARD, WHATNOT, URUCKERY, GEASS		CE ASSOCIA- 11.—Consolation Race. Ist Prize, \$4; 2: Prize, \$2.
Nagasaki. Limited: Gunp	owder Mannfacturers, of Dart- e, their SOLE AGENTS in Hongkong, 20th March, 18' CHINA. TO LET.	R. BELILIOS. 78. [t1483] WASHSTANDS, &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c.	G. FALCONER AND CO., NOTICE TO CONTRI TATCH AND CHRONOMETER In accordance with the A	rticles of Agree men.
Per Deucation, str., from London &c. :- Hongkong, Ct Mr. and Miss Ellis, Mrs. Johnston and two	MEYER & Co. HAIRLEA, WEST POINT BY THE FEBRUARY 1878. [230] FLETCHERS' BUILD Entire Houses, or in Flats, or	The from let April. Merican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchastrants. Apartments. chasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.	NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS, September, 1877, of TWENTY.	year ending 30th Noon. Names to be forwarded to the Howard PER CENT. Secretary by men wishing to compete throught. the Officer representing their Ship or Corps.
Per Glenfalloch, str., from Saigen date.	ed to SIGN our FIRM from this of every description. Apply to SHARP, TOLLER, A	GENERAL WEEKLY SALE. ND JOHNSON, TANE CRAWFORD & Co. will Sell by	No. 46, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. FOR SALE. FOR SALE. WARRANTS will be delivered as a signed to Contributors of Present the 9th instant. Policy-holders are requested.	mia at this Port open only to men of the Army and Navy. The decision of the Committee to be final
1 Chinese. Per Norma, str., from Swatow: 351 Chinese. T HAVE This	it February, 1878. [tf251] Supreme Court House, Is Day established myself at this Hongkong, 26th February	y, 1878. [36] Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, TO MORROW,	tons:— UPPER TOYSAIL. TOP-GALLANT SAIL. By Order of the Directors, BU	SSELL & Co., The Band and Pipers of the 74th Highland
3 Chinese. Per Pacific, str., from Yup:— Messrs. E. Hernsheim, Holcombe and 2 ser- Amon Let M.	R. LIN MHONE: MOUNT, at present in the large 1878	HOUSE, GREEN. FOOLSCAP, LETTER PAPER, BLOT. THOSE PAPER, TRAVELLING INKSTANDS. MATCH BOXES, TRAVELLING COM.	MAIN-TOP STAYSAIL. LOWER TOPSAIL. TOP-GALLANT SAIL. BOOM JIB. Hongkong, 5th March, 1878 Can be seen at the Store of LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.	
To DEPART. The following passengers will depart to-day: TONGKON	Possession after 19th April	HILMAN & Co. DIONS, CRYING DOLLS, FRAMED EN-	Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [1w508] OFFICE OF THE SHAM NAVIGATION CO	MPANY. Hongkong, 27th March, 1878.
Mrs. Meyer, child, and native servant, and Mr. RESERVE E	PFFAL5,000,000 of Dollars. UND1,000,000 of Dollars. POR Six or Seven months RESIDENCE in one	An Invoice of TOYS. S FURNISHED Twelve Bags SHRIMP SHELLS.	CHAMPAGNE—DUC DE MONTE. BELLO, CARTE BLANCHE, in Cases 1 Dozen Quarts and 2 Dozen Pints, at \$15 and \$16. IN LIQUIDAT A THIRD RETURN of INTEREST, at the Rate of	CAPITAL and USITANOTHEATR
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	W. S. Young, Esq. HONGKONG H	chasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, 27th March, 1878.	Dozen Cases. T. G. LINSTEAD. signed to Shareholders or th sentatives, on presentation of for endorsement.	eir lawful Repre- Share Certificates TRIAL BY JURY," preceded by a Comedictia,
her, R.N., and Mr. J. Jewell. REPORTS. LONDON BANK	THOMAS JACKSON, Esq., MANAGER. HONGKONG HOTE Yearly Lease expiring on the EES—LONDON & COUNTY BANK. SEALED TENDERS to	L, the present Five- 31st August, 1878. THE Undersigned has received instructions from J. McHonald, Esq., to Sell by	FOR SALE. The TRANSFER BOOK will be CLOSED from the 1st inclusive.	S of the Company to the 8th March "THE FAMILY SHAKESPEARE," SSELL & Co., THIS (THURSDAY) EVENIN
winds and fine weather throughout. On Current	INTEREST ALLOWED. Deposit Accounts at the rate of Annum on the daily balance. fore the 31st March, 1878, to the Hongkong Hotel. Co who will supply any information by Order of the Directors.	TO-MORROW. TO-MORROW. The 29th March, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at his Residence No. 2. Lower Mosque Terrace,—	An Eastern Love Story. K U S A J A T A K A Y A, Shanghai, February 28th, 1	Liquidators. the 28th instant, to commence at 9 o'clock. 878. [410] Tickets—Price TWO DOLLARS—may
The British steamship Yottung reports left Haiphong on 23rd March. The first part light For 5 m	posits:	HAUSCHILD, TURE, &c., comprising:—Damask Covered Secretary.	By Thomas Steele. COMPANY, LIT	Colonel STUART, LieutColonel HALL, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
The British steamship Norm reports left Swatow on 26th March, and had strong E.N.E. CREDITS grangle and foggy weather throughout, with high every descript	AL BILLS DISCOUNTED. anted on approved Securities, and ion of Banking and Exchange T N T E R N A T I O N YOKOHAMA,	JAPAN. TEAK EXTENSION DINING TABLE and	By Henry Alabaster. Cut and Powdered Loaf Cuee Sugar (Lyle's Pater Crystalized Sugar, mark	SUGAR. T. G. WILLIAMSON, and
The British steamship <i>Malabar</i> reports left commercial pla Saigon on 22nd March, and hell strong Easterly, America, Chin	ented on London, and the chief commands an extensive view noes in Europe, India, Australia, having been entirely Regularization and Japan:	of the harbour, and NOTS, DINNER and DESSERT SETS, TTED, offers every GLASS and PLATED WARE. Double and Single IRON BEDSTEADS,	FROM THE CHINESE. By SAMUEL BEAL. MEDIUM WHITE SUGAR, Mark	ark C.S.R. in dia. FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNI
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ports left Singapore on 7th February. From Singapore to Celèbes Island light N.E. and E TR. winds; from thence to port E. and N.E. winds	ED BANK OF INDIA, AUS. 10, QUEEN'S ROAL ALIA AND CHINA. HONGKON	One SEWING MACHINE, by WILCOX and	WM. CRUICKSHANK, GOLDEN STRUP, SYRUP, and DISPENSING CHEMIST & DRUGGIST, SPIRITS OF WINE and LAM Rum, 45 deg., 30 deg., o.p.,	d Molasses. P Spirit. Company's Steamer BRISBANE"
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MANILA. (Per last Mail's Advice.) Durham Manila THE NATIO	HE CITY BANK. ONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND. BEANCH in HONGKONG grants BEANCH in HONGKONG grants Liard Room.	for Visitors. on view on and after Thursday, the 28th inst.	AERATED VYATERS. Suit CUSTOMERS.	FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHO
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JUDGES. STARTERS. iout, Kelham. | Liont, Saunders. ieut Annesley. Lieut Needhall A. STRAGHAN, Major, Hon. Sporetary. ngkong, 27th March, 1878. USITANO THEATE,

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Hongkong, March 28th, 1878.

A report is current in Shanghai that His Excellency Liu Si-Hung, the Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, is about to be recalled. It is stated that Liu did not agree with Kwon Sunc-tao when acting as his coadjutor in London, and it is popularly believed that the recall of the former is a proof that the influence of the retrograde party to which he belongs is failing. Liu is said to have deprecated Kwon's frank reports home as being too favourable to foreigners, but whether this is exactly true we are unable to to state. One thing is certain, the progressists in China are making some way. The patronage, is about to commence operations: With brief descriptions of Hongkong and the The requisite machinery has arrived in By the next up mail steamer the Government combe thinks it only too probable this may have Treaty Ports of China, Japan, and the Philip- Shanghai from Europe, and seven-eighths of the shares placed upon the market have as they have started the ruilway some consider. Captain Sands for Messrs. Hernshein Brothers been taken up. The mining works include able distance above the settled districts in South for the South Sea trade and which was launched the laying of tramways from the mines to The larger Directory contains the different the wharves on the Yangtsze, and these reality! If this takes place the country will Treaties and Conventions made by China and train ways may, in course of time, be followed steadily advance and everything go on well; if Japan with foreign countries, together with by railways. There is, we know, a growing various Acts, Ordinances, and Regulations re- party in China who are in favour of the introduction of the iron road, and though the obstructionists managed to get their way in the destruction of the Shanghai and Woosung Railway, there is good reason to believe that opinion is veering round. The forces of progress are steadily and actively at work among the Chinese nation, and they will in time bear their inevitable frint. At the gunboat. Very fortunately no person was killed. present time there are scores of Chinese youths in England, France, Germany, and the United States being educated in the arts and learning of the West, and the Chinese Government is now sending out Ministers and Consuls to various foreign countries. These-

They are, probably, the future lawgivers and famine now raging in Shansi, Honan, and It is published in two forms—Complete at other provinces in the North will not pass Highland regiment now stationed will produce unnoticed by the more thoughtful of the some good athletes. The sports this year will department, with cutting earth in Wing-foongyoung Chinese students. They will not fail on account of the Fleet leaving for a cruise, and days' imprisonment. to contrast the measures taken by the the short notice given is also owing to the un-Indian Government for the relief of the in harbour. There is a strong committee to carry famine in that country with the help- out the proceedings, which commence at half lessness displayed by the Peking Authorities | past one, with putting the shot; and there are and the utter want of foresight exhibited by pipers of the 74th Highlanders will be on the them. They will also be able to remark the ground and will perform alternately. The band wretchedly imperfect means of communi- will perform the following programme:cation existing, by which tens of thousands of lives have been sacrificed. They will, it is to be hoped, be able to see the futility of Russian Dance "Pas des Patineurs" ... squandering vast sums of money on arma ments and fortifications which are not likely to be needed, while the public works of the country are allowed to fall into decay and the roads to remain more dirty ruts along which anything but pedestrian traffic is out of the question. They will be able to compare the burlesque upon justice in the Chinese courts with the administration of the law in Great Britain and other civilised countries of surgeon of the vessel, was in immediate attendance the West. They will, perhaps-if they remain long enough in England-become sufficiently enlightened to discern the difference forward and did all he could to find out the between representative government and the perpetrators, but the Chinese cooks were all grandfatherly despotism—so benevolent in until the next morning, when the head cook theory, but so harsh in practice-prevailing in who had then recovered, informed him that one PRINTING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION China. It is possible that they may learn to appreciate the benefits of a free press, the un- which be (the cook) was cooking for the third restrained expression of public opinion on the class passengers. The captain at once for the questions of the day, and the influence exerment to Commercial and General Job cised by the governed on the administrators. powders were found amongst his effects. These I followed the pursoner and caught him about decided upon subscribing to the Chinese Famine All these things and many more ought to come were immediately taken charge of by the captain three or four cheengs (forty feet) distant from the Relief Fund; but an official of the rank of Sonin British steamer Loane, 1,035 tons, Bangkok to within the ken of the young scious of China now scattered in the different countries of day a female aged nineteen also died. The day Europe and in America. The result cannot be following a man died, and on the day following doubted. The future of the Manchu dynasty the doctor consulted together and came to the American ship Willwood. At about one o'clock in Osaka, named Favre-Brandt, is said to have British steamer Rapyorshire; 1,201 tone, Saiis, however, a question for speculation. Will conclusion that it would be better to embalm it accommodate itself to the approaching revolution? Willit bend before the blast? It vestigated. The passengers who were sick I did. I know I had had too much to drink, but Osaka and the hatoba of Sakai in the Sakai ken. has shown considerable vitality, considerable were removed aft and every attention was ductility, and may possibly weather the paid to them by the captain, doctor, and officers storm. It cannot do so unless it is prepared other of the Chinese passengers who were not me a push and I fell. The prisoner then tried present time about sixty-five thousand medical British steamer Galler of Lorne, 1345 tons, to give way before every advance; it does sick were also implicated in the affair. The not hold a place akin to that entertained

room for an elected monarch of Chinese origin.

The Chinese are gradually becoming aware of

people will loudly declare that they will no

longer tolerate rulers who turn their backs

auspicion to this offect, the Imperial Government of Poking has recently shown more disposition to take heed of the signs of the one had put some poison in the soup. On the times, and to allow the adoption of sundry next morning the head Chinese cook fold me that disposition to take need of the signs of the improvements of foreign origin. It is bette to move unwillingly than not at all.

The British brig Hieronimus, Captain Kool arrived at Singapore from Hongkong on the 17th instant. The British barks Eleanar, Captain Jobson

and Chocola, Captain Kennett, cleared at Sydney for Hongkong on the 23rd ultimo. cleared at Newcastle, N.S.W., for Shanghai,

with 924 tons of coal for Shanghai.

The British schooner Jerfalcon, Captain Bentley, from Hongkong to Brisbane, put into Twofold Bay (Australia) on the 8th ultimo, short of A number of beggars were charged before Mr

dicancy and were ordered to be sent to their native places. The seamen of Her Majesty's ships were yesterday murched out to Happy Valley, where the went through the usual evolutions, after which

they returned to the Naval Yard.

Yesterday morning at about half-past for Dencation, was discovered cutting the bag of one therefrom the sum of £172 storling. He will be brought before the magistrates this morning.

a day -Straits Times. The French ironclad steam corvette Armide,

bearing the flag of Rear Admiral Duborqueis arrived at the Bornee Company's wharf, Singapore, on the 18th inst., en route to the China has been effected. For two days the water in at £17 10s. and Japan stations. She is a vessel of 2,800 tons, carries 360 men, is armed with 16 guns, and has engines of 450 horse power. Rear Admiral Duborquois is the successor of Rear Admiral Véron as Naval Commander-in-Chief.

The Hongkong Choral Society will perform at the Lusitano Theatre this evening the dramati cantata "Trial by Jury," by W. S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan. The contata will be preceded by a comedicate, by Percy Fitzgerald, entitled The Family Shakespeare," The performance will commence at nine o'clock, and we are requested to state that no money can be taken at the deers of the theatre, consequently all those who intend witnessing the performance will have to provide themselves with tickets, which can be the committee, or from the honorary secretary.

are sending a large survey party to commence; been the fate of the Rebeals. Australia there are now fair hopes that the in the spring of last year. great overland railway scheme will become a the scheme falls through it is impossible to say what will become of the place."

We learn from Chinese sources that on the sixteenth day of the **esecond** moon (the 19th instant), the Chinese revenue erniser Chica-ini. Captain Walker, from information received about some salt smugglers, went to the Island of Soko. between here and Macao. As soon as the Chienjui had rounded the point at Soko, the smugglers, who had landed from four large salt junks with all their guns, and formed a masked battery on shore, opened fire, doing great damage to the bound Russian troops at San Stephanos have The Chien-jui then went to Cheung Chow for further assistance. Upon arrival there they Hongkong, where she found the Shen-chi, which vessel immediately proceeded to Soke, and found that the junks had left. The following day another gunboat arrived at the scene and shelled young men cannot fail to imbibe a desire for the island, but they afterwards found out that progress, and they will not be content to see it had been deserted.

> The Naval and Military Athletic Sports will take place to day, under the patronage of Vice-C.B., and the officers of the Fleet and Garrison, and we think it likely that the ranks of the

"Spring Flowers" Lamothe.
"La Grande Duchesse" ... Offenbach. "Night Bell" Clarke. J. BUCHANAN, Bandmaster

SUPPOSED MURDER ON THE "DEUCALION" .

On Thursday the 21st instant great alarm was caused on board the British steamer Deucalion, bound from Singapore to Hongkong with about three hundred Chinese passengers. Just after days', imprisonment, the evening moal the third class Chinese passen. gers commenced vomiting. Doctor Bott, the and did all in his power to stop the vomiting. The doctor's opinion was that poison had been administered to them. Captain Brown also went so sick that he could obtain no information of the Chinese passengers whom he brought with him, had put some poison into the soun and handed to the doctor. On the same morning a little girl four years of ago died. The next that one of the cooks died. Captain Brown and

Yesterday morning the captain was told that two out by the chief cook in irons. Upon arrival by the Japanese people for the Mikado when here yesterday morning, about hime o'clock, the three prisoners were given into the custody of his possession? the Water Police. The first prisoner, it was the Manchus may have to give way to make discovered, had no passage ticket.

S. | the day will assuredly come when the Chinese | Atgan, and Wong Amui, the passengers above | the last witness's watch to obtain some.

had token their evening meal, commenced to vomit. The doctor of the ship was in immediate attendance. The cook told me he thought some

he had found out the man who had put the poison in the soup. For the safety of the ship I immedictaly placed that man in irons. I then gave orders to the second officer to search his box and he found the two white papers produced with man was a Chinese deck passengers. I do not know his name. We had three hundred Chinese passengers from Penang and Singapore. Of the three hundred passengers about fourteen were passengers and lived below on the 'tween decks." At this stage of the proceedings, the inquir The British bark Inverses, Captain Curtney, was adjourned until this day (Thursday), at halfpast two o'clock at the Magistracy.

AN EVENTFUL VOYAGE.

The German steamer Pacific, Captain Peterson. arrived here yesterday from the South Sea 1s. account of her voyage .- Passed through St. Creagh yesterday at the Police Court with men. George's Channel, between New Britain and New stone. Ireland. Found the whole of the north-east coast of New Britain enveloped in dense smoke and had difficulty in proceeding up channel as fields of pumice stone several feet in thickness covered the surface of the water. On the 9th February arrived at Makada station, Duke of York Group. Found-that three craters - had broken out on the New Britain penino'clock She Ayow, a Chinese passenger by the sula, at the foot of the so-called Mother and Yung-chim-poo, a fellow passenger, and stealing stone were continually thrown up and heavy of fifteen votes. stones shot high up in the air. The passage botween the Duke of York Island and Blanche Bay be completed in three years. We hear that he is also suspected of being im. | had been closed by a compact field of pumice stone plicated in the charge of poisoning four passen. | about five feet in thickness. Left Mokada on the when the eruption was found to be over, the oratars | salute to the memory of King Victor-Emanuel, ... The steam tender Abdul Samat, purchased still smoking but evidently exhausted. A tidal. by the Resident of Salangere, arrived from wave had swept Blanche Bay on the 10th, and alterations may have taken place, which owing to and he was allowed to proceed. the floating pumico stone, could not be detected, of late often used channel until a new survey composed of original shareholders, with shares Blanche Bay was scalding hot and immense quantities of boiled fish and turtle were thrown on shore and eagerly devoured by the natives, who are starving in consequence of the abnormal dryness of the season. The year's crop having failed entirely, coconnuts and a very few guanas are the only food the natives have to fall back upon, cannibalism of course going on, tween the different tribes. Left Duke of York pumico stone were drifting past down channel

and dispersing along the coasts of New Britain. Lighters are alongside taking out the carge. It Passed through the Carolines and touched at is expected that she will not float until to-morrow obtained from either of the gentlemen constituting. Yap, at which place Captain Holcombe was taken morning. on board, who reports the supposed loss of his schooner, Rebeah, from Hongkong, this vessel Latest dates from Port Darwin extend to the not having been heard of since 19th August last. 4th March &id Batavia. A correspondent says: When she started on the voyage to the Admiralty to moorings. She is not making water, but the -" Matters in the Northern Territory are not Islands, under command of Captain Charles diver will examine her. Kai-pling Mining Company, which-although-looking bright, the mines having been delayed Brown, with two European traders named O'Hara a commercial enterprise is under Government an anusually long time through the lateness of and Pullar and a crow of seven men. As within the rains, and when they did commence orushing the last year several vessels have been attacked the yields of gold were far below expectation, and some cut off in this group, Captain Holthe railway survey as far as the gold fields, and The Facific is the little steamer built by the late

> LATEST TELEGRAMS. REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

> > Supplied to the "Daily Press."

BY SOUTHERN ROUTE. LONDON, 25th March.

THE SITUATION IN EUROPE. Pravious orders for embarking homoward-

At St. Petersburg it is semi-officially stated Tanjore left to-day, with 32,000 onnes of gold, Shen-chi, Captain Wade, had gone down the submission of the peace conditions to the pro-West coast. The Chien-jui then proceeded to posed Congress is a piece of chiennery which reveals offensive intentions.

POLICE COURT 27th March.

BEFORE CHARLES MAY, Esq.

CUTTING EARTH, Choung Alang, Chung Amak, Chang Side Wai, and Chang Akee were charged by William Samuels, watchman in the Surveyor-General's be confined to the programme for one day only, lune, Wanchi.—Fined \$1 each in default, three

BEFORE C. V. CREAGH, ESQ.

In Asun was charged by Inspector Orley with elling fish without a license in the Central Market. The prisoner had no stall or shop, and held no license. When he saw the Inspector he drop his scales and ran away. He was fined two weeks ago for a similar offence. His Worship now fined the prisoner \$1; in default, five days?

Thomas McCarthy, a seaman on the British steamer Glenorchy, was charged by licensed boat. man No. 1.274, with being drunk and disorderly in complainant's boat about midnight on the 26th instant. The prisoner jumped into the water, and the complainant had lost an ear and a bamboo in endeavouring to save him. Fined S1; and to Sheik Abdool, a seaman on the P. & O. steam- flower-1-

ship Oriesa, was charged by P.C. 281 with being drunk and incapable.—Fined \$2; in default, four

BEFORE BOTH MAGISTRATES.

HIGHWAY ROBRERY. highway robbery with violence. ter past six o'clock p.m., I was off duty and in the enclosure of the monastery of Kenchoji prisoner walking alongside a foreign seaman, Home Department. being about twenty cheengs in advance of me. safety of the passengers, had the man put in ward, and when I got near the prisoner ran away endeavours to stop the progress of the flames. Point Station, also the prisoner.

p.m. on Sunday, the 22nd instant, I came on addressed a letter to the Osaka fu and Sakai the bodies and bring them on to Hongkong, as shore. Towards the evening the prisoner ran Kencho asking permission to construct a railthey were anxious to have the matter fully in. offer me and asked if I wanted a campan. I said road between the Directa Railway station in German steamer Paragraphics Care, 1,120-I knew what happened. I told the prisoner that The proposed read is eight English miles in British steamer CAIRNSHUIR, 8,128 tons, Fu-I wanted to sit down a little bit first. I believe langth. - Japan Gazette. I was by the waterside. Then the prisoner gave! It is stated in the Hochi that there are at the to steal my watch. He broke the hair guard at practitioners in Japan. Of these 504 have recaptain then placed the two men who were pointed | tached to it in doing so. Then the last witness | ceived diplomas under the new regulation, of came to my assistance. Mr. May-Did the prisoner have the watch in | Some little time ago we urged the necessity

hand, and I took it from him. The prisoner, in defence, said. The last witness is satisfactory, to note from the native papers asked me to show him where he could obtain a that the infant prince Take no Miya, the heir An inquest was opened at the Civil Hospital sumpan. I pointed to the waterside. I was to the throne, has been vaccinated, as this extheir giant strength, and are likely to use it yesterday afternoon before the Coroner, Mr. going to Bonham-road and the prisoner followed ample may do much towards inducing the people British steamer Killian new two years old or at least eighteen inches high. like a giant some day to the prejudice of the Croagh, and a jury composed of Mesers. A. G. me there. Then he laid down on the grass. I to freely adopt so beneficial a measure. Gordon, N. J. Gomes, and T. L. W. Ginger, on know that my father was sick and I wanted to A rumour has appeared recently in some of the Tartars. It may be some years hence, but the bodies of Leung Awah, Wong Asam, Chan take him some money, so I merely tried to take native papers to the effect that the Japanese Go. British bork Mangeraton, 330 tons, to Quinhon mentioned, who died between Singapore and this . The prisoner was sentenced to twelve months' steamers which have hitherto been running under German bark Angustus A. 418 tons, to Touron ment, some bushels of fir seed have been scattered

The "Trade Report" has a large circulation upon all improvement, and elect to stand British steamer Doucation. On the evening of Owing to your getting intoxicated you have made may mean unless it be that the Mitsu Bish! Comthe 21st metant, when on the high seas, on the prisoner a thist. This is his first offence, pany has only been the name of an actual Go. German steamer Cassannua, 887 tons, to Mana voyage from Liverpool to this port, several I would advise when you come on shore again not vernment organization. The Hochi Shimbun bas progress. Doubtless through some latent of the third class Chinese passengers, who to get drunk,

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

COOKTOWN, March 2nd.

The E. and A. M. steamer Brisbane, Captain Reddelli with the Australian mails, anchored off Green Island on Tuesday, night. The subjoined items are taken from ou Australian files :---

Chinese shipbuilders at St. Patrick's Point, was subsidy of 250,000 gen, which is not regarded as was opened for the sale of human flesh. faunched a few days ago, and her rigging is now a loan, or in payment for services rendered, but. The individual who opened it was, as he do third class passengers. All the others were deck in a forward state. When completed, she will according to an agreement made that this sum served to be, decapitated and the establishbe employed in the Torres Straits fisheries. Тнокивовойсн. February 22nd. The district is dull at present. The crushings. generally, are not turning out as anticipated, yet | ment a subsidy of £400,000, a year, but then they the returns are good and practical men ask why are bound to perform any service that the Gothe reefs do not yield a profit. The question is vernment may require. The Pacific Mail and now being solved by getting the work performed Messageries Maritimes also receive assistance

for itself. Without any sonsational crushings. lands. We have been favoured with the following | the yield of the month for the Hodgkinson has | Pacific Mail Co. when their steamers were turned been 5,000 ounces of gold from 3,000 tons of over to the former association. They find that

> BRISBANE, February 19th. The European storekeepers and residents the Pulmer gold-fields are signing a petition the Chinese for a miner's right. NEW SOUTH WALES.

to keep its time, and it cannot be looked upon as SYDNEY, February 15th. The Assembly has carried a vote for Immigra- being in the same position with regard to the Daughters mountains. Donse masses of pumice | tion of seventy-thousand pounds by a majority Government as other Companies." Japan Mail. The Wagga Wagga to Albury Railway is to The English men-of-war in harbour and the Italian corvette Uristoforo Columbo landed their 12th February and returned to it on the 16th, shore batteries yesterday, and fired a funeral

and address with communications addressed to the Hongkong this morning, (March 18th) after soon afterwards a new island about three quarters took place here to day. As the steamer Lusitania at 2,000 chests, and of is left to them, and the country is reported to Editor, not for publication, but as avidence of good 102 days' run under canvas. This little vessel's of a mile in diameter had risen from the bottom | was about to depart for Europe, the Hon. George | Malwa 600 chests. dimensions are only 72 feet in length by 11.6 of the sea to a height of about seventy feet. Thorn, on stepping on board with his bride, was beam. The passage, therefore, may be considered This island is situated to the south of Natopi or served with a writ for a breach of promise of a very satisfactory one. It is stated she steams | Henderson Island, where the Blanche formerly | marriage at the suit of Miss Kate Hevers, a 10 knots with a consumption of one ton of coal had found no bottom with seventcen fathoms of barmaid, in Lennon's Hotel, Brisbane. Some line. As it is very probable that some other friends of his entered into the necessary bond The Torres Straits Mail Company has liquigreat caution will be necessary in navigating this dated, and a new company has been formed mainly Sundries.

> February 27th, The International Cricket Match was won by the Sydney team by one run with one wicket to

NEWCASTLE, February 20th. The ship Sarah Nicholson, with 1,400 tons coal on board, bound for Hongkong, in charge of Pilot Newton, whilst being towed to sea by the steam in spite of the efforts of the Wesleyan mis- tug Goolwa, from No. 2 Horseshoe moorings. sionary and teachers, as freely as ever, and quite took the ground on the rocks inside the black a brisk traffic in human bodies being done be buoy. She now lies in a critical position the tide having left her. She is on her beam-ends, Island on the 20th February, when the fields of with a list of her stern to the south. It is supposed that her fore foot is two feet on the rock.

> February 21st. The ship Sarah Nicholson floated off the reed shortly before high water, and is now being taken

> VICTORIA. MELBOURNE, February 14th The prospects of war between Russia and Eng. land have created a political lull, and all possible preparations for the defence of Port Phillip are being pushed on by the Government. A quantity of terpedo cases are already in stock. As soon as wire, purchased from the Tasmanian Government, has been received, the torpedoes will be placed in position. If war is declared the outting lown of the Nelson will be delayed, and she will take her position as the second line for defence of the Heads. The Cerberus will be stationed as the first line, and will act in conjunction with the Queenscliff batteries.

February 15th. The Assembly has carried the Address to the Queen respecting the political crisis by a majority

February 19th. The Government steamer Phares is gone to Queeuscliff, with men and ammunition, to practically accomplish Sir William Jervois's preposals for the defence of the Heads. They are crecting batteries and laying torpodoes. February 21st.

that England's conduct in insisting upon the 72,800 sovereigns, and a large number of pas sengers, including Signora Link. February 24th. Miss Kate Johnson, of Toorak House, a wellknown amateur actress and an accomplished

musician, died to-day, aged 19. February 28th. The Governor has received a cablegram in structing him in reference to the political crisis, to be generally guided by circumstances and to accept the advice of responsible advisors.

NEW ZEALAND. CHRISTCHURCH, February 19th. A Prospecting Company for New Guinca. being projected here.

EUROPEAN ITEMS, LONDON, February 18th. The Royal marriages at Berlin vosterday were celebrated with great festivities. His Royal Highness Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, and his Royal Highness Arthur William, Dake of Connaught, were present. Their Royal High-

nesses had a very cordink reception. LONDON, February 21st Sulieman Pacha is to be tried by court-martial. Recruiting for the army is going on actively. The Government are purchasing 21,000 additional tional horses for the use of the troops.

Sir Georgo Jossel. The attempt failed. The Oxford and Cambridge boat race will take place on the 13th April. The winner of the Waterloo Cup is "Coomassie." The runner up was "Sca Seal." The winner of the Waterleo Purso is "Adelaide." The winner of the Waterloo Plate is "Palm-

Peace has been restored in Cuba. The rebels have been pardoned, and the confiscation law

Leong. Ayau was brought up charged with On the 16th instant the Chinese Minister and his suite visited the Opi paper mill. Tokio. P.C. 220 said—On the 24th instant, at a quar. An observatory will shortly be built within private clothes in Bonham road. I noticed the Kamakura, by the Geographical Section of the

A fire, the largest which this season has occur-The seaman appeared to be drunk, as he staggered red in Tokio, broke out in a wine shop at Uma. as he walked. Suddenly I saw the prisoner push michi, Asakusa, and was not subdued until about the foreign scaman, who fell on to the road. He two hundred and twenty houses were burned then stooped down over the seaman. I ran for Fifteen others were destroyed by firemen in their British bark W. E. GLADSTONE, 534 tons irons. His box was then searched and two eastward. The foreign seaman made an outcry. A certain department of the Government lately. seaman. I want back to the semnan, who had a | or Chikunin refused to contribute, saying that silver watch in one hand, the hair guard of which it was unreasonable to send relief to foreigners was broken. I took the seamon to the West whilethenew imperial palace was unbuilt through domestic embarrassment. Andrew Millar said—I am a seaman on the The same paper states that a Swiss gentleman

> whom fifty are resident in Tokio. of the Government making vaccination com- British steamer Minery A. 1.025 tons. Chinking Witness-Yes. He had my watch in his pulsory, in order to check, to a great extent, the teartul ravages of small-pox in this country. It vernment will shortly take charge of the line of the auspices of the Mitsu Bishi Company. We

> > an article on the subject of Government support

in which it remarks that the Government has always shown itself very ready to aid by influence and money any schemes of public interest. On the propriety of a Government extanding its aid to private enterprises there has been save the writer, much discussion in Europe, and it is now pretty generally admitted that it is an unwise course to pursue. He continues :- The following Companies in Japan receive subsides from the Government .- The Mitsu Bishi, Choyo. Kôgiố, Tankô, Kôshô, Shinsui, and Bokuchiku. A second Chinese junk, constructed by the The first named company receives an annual should be granted to the Company for the term of fifteen years. It may be said that the P. and O. Company receives from the British Governfrom their respective Governments. The subsidy from a little girl in the street, with the fol-The returns of gold from the district speaks allowed to the Mitsu-Bishi Company is granted in lieu of the sum given to the branch of the they cannot make expenses on the Shangha route and therefore the Government is compolled to allow it sufficient to cover its losses. (Why. if it be only a private company and called upon the Government to remit the £3 demanded of to render to the Government no service in return?) "Thanks to the assistance received from the Government," the article goes on to say, "the Mitsu Bishi Co. has always been able

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

WEDNESDAY, 27th March. No business done to-day, and the anotations February 22nd. are nominally, \$5971 for Pating, \$575 for Benares. An extraordinary and somewhat exciting scene and \$750 for Malwa. The stock of Patna given

> EXPORT CARGO. Per str. Khiva, for London and Continent: For London 1,392 half-chests, 34 cases, and 48 boxes Tea, 28 bales Waste Silk, 404 bales Silk, 10 cases Silks, and 1,380 pkgs. Sundries. For Continent 144 bales Silk, and 50 packages

ON LONDON.— Bank Bills, on demand.......3/104 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight...3/102 Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight.3/11 Credits, at 6 months sight 3/112 to 3/113 Documentary Bills, at 6 months' ..2221 to 223. ON BOMBAY.—Bank, sight.... CALCUTTA. Bank, sight ON SHANGHAL-

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-55 per Union Insurance Society of Canton -31,300 per China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares-

Yangtsze Insurance Association-Tls. 625 per to meet it and the result is that hundreds of Chinese Insurance Company—\$250 per share Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares-\$590 per share. China Fire Insurance Company's Shores-\$17 Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company's

Shares—2 per cont. premium. Hongkong, Canton, and Mucao Steamboat Co. Shares -\$17 per share discount. Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 22 Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$75 per

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—2 per Chinese Imperial Loan—£105. Ex. 4s. 14d. Chinese Imperial Lean of 1877—£103 15s.

SALES ON MARCH 27TH, AS REPORTED BY Chamois Horns-1 package, at \$126.00, hy Kwong-hung-tai to travelling trader. China Root-10 packages, at \$9.00, by Kwongwe-choung to travelling trader. Fungus-20 bags, at \$41.40, by Kwong-wo-The P. and O. Co.'s Royal mail steamship cheung to travelling trader.

CHARTERS EFFECTED. or New York, private terms.

British steamer CHARLTON, 786 tons, to Port Darwin, Australia, private terms. French bark MARIE CHARLOTTE, 380 tons, to Callao and Vaparaiso, private terms. American ship North STAR, 1,374 tons, to San Francisco, private terms...

Portland (Oregon), private terms. American ship Williamoon, 1,009 tons, to Port- tressed districts—to convince the mandarins land (Oregon), private terms. British bark SPINAWAY, 325 tons, Manila to Melbourne, private terms. German brig Gustav, 240 tons, Whampon to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via New-

chwang, 521 cents per pioul, 37 lay days. German bark HIEBONYMUS, 425 tons, Newchwang to Swatow, 30 cents per picul, 20 lay days. Ferman bark HANSA, 498 tons, Newshwang

Hongkong, 29 cents per picul, 30 lay days. British bark ALCESTIS. 398 tons. Newchwang to French bark JEAN PIERRE, 609 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong (Timber), inside the Bar 243 cents per picul; outside the Bar 19½ cents per picul, 45 lay days. German bark FRIEDRICH, 594 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 25 cents per merican bark WEALTHY PENDLETON,

British bark Annie Lorway, 752 tons. Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 22 cents. per picul; outside the Bar 17 cents per picul, British bark TORATEA, 805 tons, Bangkok to Honnkong, inside the Bar 211 cents per picul; outside the Bar 162 cents per picul British bark LADY BOWEN, 892 tons, Bangkok

to Hongkong, inside the Bar 25 cents per

picul; outside the Bar 20 cents per picul, 28 lay days. Baugkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 26 cents per picul; outside the Bar 21 cents per picul, 35 lay days. Hongkong, inside the Bar 27 cents per picul; outside the Bar 22 cents per pioul, 16 lay

British bark Moss GLEN, 549 tons, Bangkok to

Hongkong, \$3,000 in full, 40 lay days.

gon to Hongkong, 15 cents per picul, 12 lay tons, Kobe to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul shiki (Japan) to Hongkong, 35 cents per Nagasaki to Shanghai (Coals) five trips,

\$2.10 per ton. British steamer HESPERIA, 1160 tons, Chin-kiang to Whampon, 221 candareens per picul. to Whampos, 20 candarsens per pipul, 12 lay days. ritish steamer Flintshine, 1,243 tons, Swatow to Singapore (Passengers), \$64 per head, 10 hoods, but it is not intended to transfer the lay days.

to Singapore (Passengers), \$5,400 in full, and back 22 cents per picul, 30 lay days. and back, \$2,800 in full, 35 lay days. Robert John Brown said-I am master of the Mr. May, addressing the complainant, said are somewhat at a loss to understand what this Russian bark Kalaja, 690 tons, to Batavia, Pokfulum Road along the line of the new conduit. \$1,750 in full.

tung and back, 20 cents per pioni. 15 lay sonal supervision of Mr. J. J. Cerneau, a French

NEWS FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

THE FAMINE IN NORTH CHINA

The accounts of the famine in North China published in our Shanghai contemporaries are saddening and sickening. The Chefoo correspondent of the Courier mentions the horrible circumstance that in a town called Lunan-fu, on the borders of Shansi, a shop ment closed by the authorities. The incident serves, however, to illustrate, in a striking manner, the extremities to which the miserable people are reduced. The Daily News correspondent in Shantung sends a specimen of some "lood" procured lowing remarks on its component parts :--

"It is the husk of kauliang, boiled, and eaten us you see. Wheat straw and dry stalks of kind of reed, or 'cheat,' are cut up fine, then ground as wheat, and this flour, if such t can be called, is mixed with chaff, and then boiled and eaten. This evening, he adds. "I saw a boy with a basket full of the outside husk of the onion, which is dry when the onion is ripe for pulling. This, and last vear's elm-tree leaves, sells for 25 cash a catty. You can judge of the distress. The famine rages most severely in Shausi

and Honan, but many parts of Shantung are,

it will be seen, plunged into direct distress. The poor people will sell their hand for a mere trifle to enable them to obtain food, but there are few purchasers. There are, however, plenty of robbers ready to take advantage of the miseries of their fellow creatures and take by violence what little be in a very disturbed condition. Meantime, while the famine is severe in Shantung, tho Authorities in Peking have, it is stated, given orders for "the immediate transportation to Shausi of 80,000 tan of tribute grain in store in this district (in Shantung), while the balance in store, 70,000 tan, is to be forwarded to Peking as soon as possible. The cost of transportation is so great that thismeans practically starving two here to save one in Shansi, which may be an economical way of decreasing the population, but does not strike one favourably as a preservative measure. But such seems to be the decree, and the grain has already begun to move. The same writer goes on to observe :-- "Half the 150,000 tan of tribute grain in store in. this district would, I think, if wisely administered, save nearly all the people of the district. If it is all sent away it will take the district a year to recover itself." With a geniune intention to relieve the miseries of its subjects, the Chinese Government displays a lamentable want of judgment and forethought. It was well known months back that this famine was impending, but no adequate provision was attempted thousands have perished and are perishing because relief supplies cannot be transported to them in time to save them from the horrors of a lingering and painful death.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA

The terrible struits to which the inhabitants

of Shansi and the other famine-stricken provinces of North China have been reduced has. it would seem, set some of the Chinese thinking about the facilities for transport afforded. Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares-\$55 per by railway. An influential Chinaman hailing from Shansi is reported by a correspondent to have asked—"Why do not foreigners build us a railway? They contribute of their wealth to feed our starving poor, why not make the transit of grain easy and cheap, and thus save thousands of lives?" The question can, of course, be answered with the greatest ease: the Government of Peking bars the way with its veto. The fate of the little pioneer railway between Shanghai and Woosung is not calculated to encourage foreigners to invest capital in such undertakings. That railways are needed, and that they would pay in China, is generally believed; but it would be impossible for foreigners to take any steps to The following Settlements are taken from introduce them without the guarantee of the Messrs. HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular: Chinese Government that they should not be American ship ELCANO, 1,181 tons, to London interfered with as well as its sanction for the undertaking. And, as far as we can see at present, there is little probability of the Anthorities at Peking patronising the iron road. It will need something more serious than a famine by which hundreds of thousands are being carried off-a great portion of which American ship Freeman Clark, 1,306 fons, to awful mortality is due to the imperfect means of communication between the coast and diswho rule at Peking that railways would benefit the country. Some of the faminestricken districts are practically maccessible, owing to the miserable tracks called roads being only adapted for foot traffic. The chwang, 55 cents per picul, 32 lay days. being only adapted for foot traffic. The German bark Manco Poro, 358 tons, Takao to proverb "While the grass grows the steed Yokohama and back to Hengkong via New- may starve" is peculiarly applicable in this case. The provisions have all to be carried on the shoulders of coolies, and while the grain is being conveyed to them the wretched people are dying from starvation. There are not wanting intelligent Chinamen who can see the necessity for improved means London; February 23rd.

An attempt was made by an insane suitor to shoot the Master of the Rolls, the Right Hon.

Hongkong, 30 cents per picul, 22 lay days.

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Of communication, but there are no organs of public opinion in the Central Kingdom and Hongkong, 30 cents per picul, 25 lay days. their ideas and wishes known to, much less mpress them upon, the official mind. The want of a public Press is much felt in China, and there seems scarcely the faintest prospect of any advance being made in this direction, picul; outside the Bar 20 cents per picul. If the Chinese commercial classes could give expression to their opinions, we imagine there 809 might be some hope of various much needed tone, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar reforms being inaugurated, the development 25 cents per picul; outside the Bar 20 cents of the mineral resources of the country, the per picul, 40 lay days. construction of railways, and the abolition of some of the more flagrant abuses in the

TREE PLANTING IN HONGKONG

We understand that, under the auspices of His Excellency the Governor, who has taken an active personal interest in the matter. the work of preparation of tree nurseries for future plantations on the hillsides of the island and Kowloon has just been brought to a satisfactory close after three months of ardnous labour and in spite of a somewhat unpropitious senson. The seeds sown are principally those of the ordinary China fir (pinus einensis), swamp oak (casuarina uisetifolia) cocoanut palms, coffee. Morecambe Bay chesnut, cryptomeria inponica, and various other hardy species in minor quantities. Nino nurseries have been established in the localities given in the following table, which also gives the quantity of seed sown and the estimated number of plants expected to be reared, due allowance being made for losses by failure of seed, bad weather, birds, insects, etc., but not by typhoon. LOCALITY OF ARRA. SEED ESTIMATED.

122 pintu... 2,100,000

220 pints ... 3,500,000

120 pints... 2,100,000

41 pints... 700,000

120 pints... 2,100,000

118 pints. 2,050,000

40 pints ... 700,000

82 pints... 1,400,000

ACRES. SOWN. NO. OF TREES. Kowleon Peninsula .. 8 ... 400 pints... 6,400,000 Bowrington Mt. Shadwell Valley New Coyt, Gordens .. 21 Abordeen

ply to the mountain districts in their neighbouryoung seedlings to the hillsides until they are In addition to the foregoing, a helt of four The whole of this interesting work has, we

thousand young coccanut nalms obtained from Manlie will be shortly planted along the northern shore of Stoneoutters' Island, and as an experibroad cast on the slopes of the hills above the understand, been ably carried out under the per-

gardener and forester of considerable attain.

become a reality sconer than was expected. one which will not be long in producing its distant 74 miles." effect; and in respect of variety, too, we think a On Tuesday morning, the 12th instant, the

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY. LIMITED.

The seventh ordinary meeting of the share holders of the above Company was held at the Co., Praya, Hongkong, on the 2nd inst. There were present Messrs. E. R. Belillos (Chairman), Cheong, Fung Tang, R. I. Harper, H. Smith, A. Hancock, A. O'D. Gourdin, F. R. Talbot, A. new at Canton. C. Vaucher, Toon Yick, Fook Yuen Loong, Wy Sing, Tuck Lee, Lung Choung Chan, Kwong Lee, Fok Chong, Pau Achow, Wing Yaen Loy, ancestral home in the neighbourhood of Swatow J. Bradlee Smith (Secretary). The SECRETARY having read the notice covening the meeting.

and accounts for the past year having been in your hands since the beginning of the week, you will, I presume, permit me to take them as read. You will observe that our operations for the period have resulted in paying shareholders twelve per cent, on the capital, in carrying a good sum to the reserve fund, and in making a return of ten per cent, on their contributions to firms. who have given us business. This in ordinary times would doubtless have been looked upon as highly satisfactory; but as our neighbours in dealing with their contributors have done better. the bonus we are now about to declare might in some quarters be taken as not very encouraging. must, however, inform you that this has orisenfrom two causes, first, our misfortunes, and second, the establishment of the On Tai Insurance Company, a Chinese institution doing a similar kind of business to ourselves. With regard to the first cause. I can assure you that nothing has been wanting in tact and care on the part of the management in selecting risks. The list of casualties, which is somewhat voluminous, is now on the table for the perusal of any one present. On inspection you will be opnyinced that each of the risks taken, whether on a steamer or on a sailing vessel, has been unexceptionable With reference to the second cause, I regret to say that the competition of the On Tai, which, as you are aware, has almost the same constituents as this company, has told seviously on our resources, but it is a matter for congratulation that this new institution has not affected us so very materially as we at first anticipated it would. This is a proof that the habit of insuring is being developed amongst the natives of this mighty empire, and that the future of this association may still be a prosperous one. It is not in the nature of things that | we should continue to experience misfortunes being called in to expel them a general melecenand to mour losses so incessantly as we have hitherto done. We can therefore only hope to meet our contributing friends in years to come with a larger bonus than we have this year been able to do.: I have no further remarks to make. but will be glad to answer any questions.—There

holders the annexed statement of the Company's Flower Show on Friday last were very poor both seen that after having paid the interest upon the | Chinese and Japanese camelias were not .np to | and providing for all claims pending upon known prizes were properly withheld. Azaleas were casualties under policies issued during the year. under review, there is a balance of \$34,878,65 available for distribution. In accordance with the Articles of Association,

The following is the

two-thirds of the above amount will be distributed the remaining third will be placed to the credit of Reserve Fund, which will then stand at \$74,133,82.

requires confirmation. Mr. E. R. Belilios retires by Mr. Duval), was the best probably ever grown in rotation, but being eligible offers himself for on Shameen. Cauliflowers were wanting in size,

Mr. Henry Smith has been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Mr. A. McIver. who has been detained at home through illness. to the unfavourable season: one thing, however, The accounts have been duly audited by Mr. is most apparent—that these exhibitions have Hauschild and Mr. Henry Smith, and the

re-election of these auditors. E. R. BELILIOS. Hongkong, 18th March, 1878. Mr. HANCOCK seconded the adoption of the vard" report and accounts...

Carried unanimously. On the motion of Mr. KERR, seconded by Mr. Talbor, the election of Mr. Reiners to the Board. of Directors, in place of Mr. André, who has left the colony, was confirmed; and Mr. Belilies, who retired by rotation, was re-elected a director. On the motion of Mr. REINEES, seconded by Mr. Func Tane, Mr. L. Hauschild and Mr. H. Smith were re-elected anditors. The CHAIRMAN-This is all the business.

thank you for your attendance. Mr. HARPER-Gentlemen, before separating I think you will all join with me in a vote of thanks to the directors and general agents. The figures before us show that great care has been taken by the directors, seeing the difficulties referred to by the Chairman. I would therefore propose a vote of thanks to the directors and

gentlemen, before the meeting, and we have to

general agents... The motion was carried by acclamation. The CHAIRMAN-Gentlemen, we are very much obliged to you and to Mr. Harper for the kind manner in which our efforts have been received here to day.

This concluded the meeting.

HONGKONG.

The fortnight just concluded has been quiet and uneventful. Days Carson and his variety company paid a flying visit to the Colony, and gave two performances on the loth and instant, which were very well attended. Reuter announces that Major-General Edward Westby Donovan has been appointed to suc. ceed Sir Francis Colborne in the command of the troops in China and the Straits. The new commander of the forces here was gazetted major. general on the 28th October, 1876. The Chinese paddle revenue craiser Kua Heina Captain Anderson, arrived here on the 20th

inst. from Shanghai, bringing down Mr. Robert Hart, inspector general of Customs, Mr. Glove". commissioner of Customs, and Mr. Liang Fang, interpreter to the Chinese Legation at Paris. These gentlemen left here for England by the The Basaur held on the 22nd and 29rd ultimo.

French mail. in connection with the Flower Show, realised 2nd prize, Mr. Vogel. the handsome sum of \$1,616.44. The money has all been transmitted to Shanghai, to be forwarded to the distributors of relief. The subscriptions. Alsing.

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Two lettuce, cos—let prize, Mr. Duval; 2nd prize, in this Colony to the China Famine Relief Fund.

Two lettuce, cabbage let prize, Messes. Carlowitz exclusive of the sum voted by Government, and Co. 2nd prize Mr. Daval.

amount to nearly \$11,000. We hear that a junk laden with salt was lying at anchor on Tue day night about one hundred and fifty yards from the Aberdeen Docks, A steam launch (supposed to belong to a Chinese Talbot. Customs cruiser) out the junk's cable and towed | Parsley-Let prize, Mr. G. M. Smith; 2nd prize, Mr. her away to Cheung Chow. We also hear that Duval the people to whom the junk belonged have lodged a petition with His Excellency the Governor. The British steamer Charlton, Captain John. Mesers. Carlowitz and Co.

the 14th instant at pine o'clock a.m. She there loaded with 21,000 piculs of rice, left on the

Brooke Robertson and who issued orders to all mile. The water was breaking about fifty feet footlights being demanded. The entire come lite them simply for the old-iron shop. named it the "Minerya Rock."

turned out so much less than originally estimated Consulate, as to the loss of the American barque The "populace" had evidently been carefully railway. At the same time it is very doubtful, contemplates extending the scale of its opera- in the G zette That the American barque compet. In the hands of the gentleman who penent parts together again, after putting them has been rather antagonistic to Kwo, and has their parents, and fer those who are wealthy to tions very considerably next year, so that the Forest Belle, while running through the Bashee provided at the piane, that instrument became through a course of mid and salt water; and the long talked of wooding of the island bids fair to Channel between Little Botel Tobago and Gad quite an orchestra, and fulfilled all the require. Governor is not rich enough to provide new Rook, was lost on a danger not marked on the ments of the occasion. The estimated number of trees reared and charts, lat. 21.51 N. long. 121.34.25 E planted out in past years has been about fifteen Little Botel Tobago (centre) bearing N. 9 deg. Pun-yu Magistrate strictly prohibiting theatrical thousand per annum as against twenty one mil. 45 min. E. by compass, distant 61 miles. Gad tions this year, a somewhat startling jump, and Rock bearing S. 15 deg. 30 min. E. by compass,

marked improvement has been made in the ex British steamer West Stanley, Captain Ashby, tensive adoption of the beautiful cryptomeria of was coming down the Yangtaze river from Chin. | during the last few days on account of the high | that nort. Japan and the graceful and feathery casuaring, king, with about 27,500 pionls of rice for Can- price of the grain. Business is very dull in all ton, in charge of a European pilot. When she branches of trade just new, owing doubtless to man three-masted schooner China, laden with had crossed the Langshan crossing about half the distress caused by the inundations last year. way, she grounded on Plover Point. On the As, a result of the dearness of food, robberies are while dropping down the river. She floated off 15th instant the British steamer Yangisze, Cap. very provalent both ashere and affect, and are of on the flood tide, and is now in dock undergoing tain Schultze, from Chinking, passed the West daily and nightly occurrence. The heat I crossed Stanley still aground. She was discharging the river in the other evening dared not lie in Our readers will be glad to learn that the her cargo into two large lighters, and a tug-boat shore after dark for fear of pirates. Larcenies Honorary Secretary of the China Famine Relief offices of the general agents, Messrs, Olyphant and was then trying to tow her off. The Yangisse are of daily occurrence, and occasionally plans Fund at this port (Mr. A. Forbes Angus) remitstopped, and offered assistance; the West Stanley, are hatched for a burglary on a large scale. But | ted per S. S. Europe to Shanghai on the 5th however, did not require it, but sent her letters on as a rule petty thefts are the order of the day, instant, the handsome sum of \$2,000. This C. Morland Kerr, W. Reiners, T. Pim, Los Tucki by her and the Yangters proceeded on her way. The West Stanley has been since got off, and is

> We hear from the coast that Ting, Fu-tal (Governor) of Folikien, will shortly leave his and resume office, as the Emperor has definitely some likelihood that Ting, before he returns to been similarly Tayoured in Hongkong. who some time since was fined \$500,000 by Ting, via Manila.

CHINA. CANTON.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. 13th March. Since the departure of Sir Brooke Robertson rom this port on the 9th inst. nothing has occurred worthy of note here, except an improvement in the weather, not before it was needed. Of native intelligence there is very little also. Robberies are telerably prevalent, as asual. egular organised attack was made a few nights pack at Yow-tan, in Honam. The attempt failed, however, through the vigilance of the watchman, who roused the inhabitants and one of the marauders was captured and handed over to the anthorities.

The soldiers here are a great nuisauco to the peaceable citizens. The other day a party of them orcibly entered a matched theatre outside the Eastern Gate without payment, and the guard sued in which one of the intruding "braves? was fatally stabbed and others severely wounded. The affair came before the Authorities who settled it in the following truly Chinese fashion:—The sum of \$5 was awarded to the relatives of the deceased soldier and the wounded soldiers and all being no questions I beg to propose that the re- of their comrades who took part in the disturbport and accounts as now submitted be adopted. - ance were dismissed from the service.

Owing to the extreme cold we have experienced The Directors beg to submit to the Share here during this winter, the exhibits at the scarcely out enough, but one beautiful specimen plant was exhibited and took first prize. It was evident that the late cold had affected geraniums

severely, as the show was far from good. Pansies, however, were decidedly fine, the first prize being as a bonus to contributors (say 10 per cent.), and taken by Mr. Duval, who also showed some beautiful cut specimens of the same flower, several of the deep velvety kinds being extremely handsome. In the classes for cut flowers, the entries were small but good. Turning to the vegetable por-Mr. Adolf Andre having left the Colony, Mr. tion of the show, the exhibition fell short of Wm. Reiners has been elected in his stead, which | previous years. Colory, however (1st prize taken the cabbages were not so good as usual, and the same may be said of all the remaining classes. Altogether the Fourth Annual Exhibition cannot be voted as a "great success," owing entirely tended to cultivate a taste for hortfoulture in directors have pleasure in recommending the the settlement, and it is to be hoped that next

> the show will stimulate others to grow, at all events, a pot of mignonette in their "front

The following is the prize list:— Three fine foliage plants—1st prize, Mr. C. S Specimen fine foliage plant-1st prize. Mr. G. M. Smith ; 2nd prize, Ayun. Three plants in flower-1st prize, Mr. G. M. Smith 2nd prize, Mr. A. T. Duvol. Three forms—lat prize, Mr. G. M. Smith; 2nd prize;

year the clerk of the weather will favour us, and

that a larger attendance of the Community at

Specimen form-1st prize, Mr. A. T. Duval; 2nd Three camelias, Chinese—1st prize, Ayun; 2nd Mi Lo Tau and Sin Lo Tau in Amoy). prize, Messrs. Cepp & Co. Specimen camelia. Chinese—lst prize, Mr. G. M. Three camelias, Japaneso—let prize, Ayun.

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Three lupins-let prize, Assing; 2nd prize, Mosers-Specimen lupin—1st prize. Mr. G. M. Smith: 2nd rizo, Assing. Three dablins-lat prize, Aynn. Specimen dahlia-lat prize, Assing. Specimen mowtan-lat prize, Mr. G. M. Smith.

Collection of annuals—let prize, Mr. Daval, 2nd prize: Mr. C. S. Taylor. Three geraniums—1st prize, Mr. G. M. Smith. Specimen scented geraniums—1st prize, Mr. G. M. Pot of stocks—1st prize, Assing ; 2nd prize, Mr. G. Pot of verbenas—let prize, Mr. G. M. Smith. Pot of pasturtions—1st prize, Mr. A T. Daval; 2nd | Publication :---

Pot of mignonette-1st prize, Assing; 2nd prize, Mr.G.M. Smith. Pot of pansies-1st priza, Mr. A. T. Duval; 2nd prize, Mr. O. M. Smith ... Hand bouquet—1st prize, Mrs. G. M. Smith. Six camelia blooms—1st prize, Ayun. VEGETABLES. Six kind of vegetables—let prize, Assing; 2nd orizo. Mr. Duval... Two heads of celery—let prize, Mr. Daval.

Six best-roots-1st prize, Mr. Clayson; 2nd prize, Mr. Vogel. Six carrota-1st prize, Mr. Duval : 2nd prize, Mr. Talbot. Two cauliflowers—Ist prize, Mesers. Gepp and Co.; and prize, Assing. Two cabhages—1st prize, Mesers. Carlowitz & Co. Two roll cabbages—det prize, Mr. Daval; 2nd prize, Messrs. Carlowitz and Co.

Fifty pods poss-Ist prize, Mr. Duval: 2nd prize Mesars, Gepp & Co. Twelve potatoes let prize, Llesers. Sienissen and Co. 1 2nd prize: Mesers. Carlowitz and Co. Sir turnips-1st prize, Assing 2nd prize, Mr. Twenty-five radiabes—let prize, Mr. Daval 2nd prize, Messes. Carlowitz and Co. Six kohl rabi-list prize, Mr. Sindberg : 2nd prize, son, left Hongkong on the 12th instant at one | Six horse radish let price, Mesers: Gepp and Cor; here to be stored, but how was it landed? Any and strongly recommends the purchase of shares; sepecial reason for crediting the remour, and it white against eight of brown angar. The print mixture and binding themselves to a certain fixed o'clock p.m. for Hniphong, where she arrived on 2nd prize, Mosses. Carlowitz and Co.

ments lately in the service of the French Loga. 18th instant at cleven o'clock gin; and arrived tour Dramatic Society, gave a performance at bor by catamarana. I myself have seen the tops

A proplamation has just been issued by the performances in this city. This prohibition has been called forth by the recent affrays in the matshed theatres between the soldiers. Several of the smaller rice shops have been closed about, we believe, to survey the approaches to

the risk of capture being infinitesimal. MACAO.

declined to accept his resignation. There is also only five really fine days. I suppose you have him.

11th March.

number of Chinese among the spectators.

The proceeds of the performance given some omen. nore respectable poor who never go out to beg. months. and of whom there are alas many much worse off A Court was held at the British Consulate on than the professional beggars. I know myself of the 9th instant to investigate an alleged breach cases like that among the poor here.

nearly all the principal residents, beside the officials, turned out to welcome him back. cargo arrived since I last wrote you, namely, cargo of salt brought here by a French vessel a fow days' since...

> AMOY. FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

15th March. nearly half a day instead of "nearly all day." no wrong impression may longer exist. The following proclamation was issued by the which receipts or bills of lading are issued. It It is rumoured that a Foreign contractor has natives were present. Sub-Prefact of Amoy, in re tideland, particulars has been shown that every precaution was taken arranged with the Chinese authorities to comof which I sent you three weeks ago:-

the work and a time for commencing it; that 1 on opium furnish the strongest inducement to have a rara avis here at present. The magnete hair (Chosen) Cores. They propose to make quaintances will be glad to learn that this high am now requested by Lim Tang, the contractor, smugglers to engage in the illegal traffic. It is who wields the judicial sword gave a dinner to arrangements, by another year, to spend more distinction has been conferred on him. to rive him a permit for cutting stones from also clear that the exercise of the utmost vigil. the Customs' officials and invited the British time in devoting themselves to acquiring a knowadjacent beaches for reclaiming purposes and to ance on the part of shipowners must sometimes | Consul as a guest. I don't mean he entertained | lodge of foreign medicine. The Corean tajen is | Sunday last at three p.m., and was received with issue a notice for general information. mission I further notify all persons in Amoy therefore it seems unjust to inflict a penalty un. in Chinese employ, he held a feast after Parisian their native country.—N. C. Daily News Correlone one gans was fired as His Majesty's yacht took that the stones cut by the said contractor are less a guilty knowledge be proved.—Foothow isshion, the visual confections being master—spondent. necessary for use in re-claiming the said tide- Herald. land, and no one will be allowed to interfere

with his cutting the same. "That the contractor is only permitted to cut stones from open spaces where there are no obstructions to dwellings or Fung-shueys whatever. "You will obey and must not transgress special proclamation. ıf Kwanc Sü (February 9th, 1878),"

"The 8th day of the 1st moon in the 4th year Further, with regard to the resumption of Lot 2 and the buildings thereon, the following present the only loss of life. The locality is notice was handed to me by one of the occupants with yellow and red posters declaring with a request to transmit the same to you for the gratitude of the occupants of houses adbetter the party which is grieved at this, and is of opinion cargo rice was discussed at some length, and I prietor beheated. The death rate in that district that commerce with Japan must at all hazards the gratitude of the occupants of houses adbetter that district is estimated at 70 per cent! Lot 2 and the buildings thereon, the following Pot of heliotrope—1st prize, Messrs. Gopp & Co.; with a request to transmit the same to you for and prize, Mr. G. M. Smith. H.M.S. Office of Works,

Amoy, 2nd February, 1878. SIE,—You will take notice that I have this day re-entered and taken possession on behalf of H.M.S. Government of Lot 2, of the British Concession at this port, with all buildings thereon, and that all rent accruing thereon or any portion thereof, must be held to my order, or that of H.M.S. Consul at this port as my representative. -I am Sir, Your obedient Servant. (Signed) T. MARSHAL, Acting Surveyor.

I understand that Mr. King, being a German, Consulate. for the North on the 14th.

TATWAN, 18th February. which are to us poor exiles here like angels visits; thousand out of the eight thousand shares placed pitiable. the mainland, to send you these few lines. Alas! pected that the remainder will shortly be disposed the survivors of the terrible catastrophe of the latter like to barier, and care not to pay all the Chinese morehants, buyers as well as that I should have such a sorrowful tale to tell! of The Shou Pao speaks very hopefully of the relief yard, burned in January, are to receive, money for what they buy. As white sugar is sellers, were only too glad that they had not The Railway has, it is true, been brought over undertaking, for which it predicts rapid success, each several tasks of silver, but there is no not manufactured, we can exchange one catty of given their signatures regulating the paddy

On the evening of the 18th tile Canton Ame. that brought it over, and towed ashore over the purely a commercial one.

tion in Poking, and whose temporary and provi. at Green Island on the 20th instant at tor o'clock the pretty little house in Shamoon, when the for carriages and the frameworks—whether of the 20th February exhibits anow, but their efforts cannot be said to be very sional services the Government were fortunate p.m., thus making the passage to Halphong and Burlesque Romalis and Remus was produced. carriages of engines Level and the distress caused by the successful. There has been but one fall, a few enough to be able to secure some months ago back in eight days. The house was well filled, and the middle and th pending the arrival of Mr. Ford, who returns to Captain Pencock; of the British steamer seemed theroughly to enjoy the performance, the mid there left to be govered with a foot or two of slong of taration, there is a most serious deficit so slight as not to penetrate the "earth's skin."

The colony in June next. The bulk of the fir Mineria, which arrived here on the left instant applicate was sait water of every flood tide. Is it likely that in the provincial revenue. He has had to pay The prospects for the coming season are there. uones were picked from the trees in the island from Saigon, reports that on the 12th instant he well noted from beginning to end, and remarks carriages or engines could be put together again the trees in the island from Saigon, reports that on the 12th instant he well noted from beginning to end, and remarks carriages or engines could be put together again the trees in the island from Saigon, reports that on the 12th instant he well noted from beginning to end, and remarks carriages or engines could be put together again. and from the seasity forests in the neighbouring passed a large rock in latitude 20,00 North longi. ably well mounted; the season which did fall, because it islands, the latter, with the approval of the Vice, Lude 111.56 East not many, and called forth loud marks of appro- due there any prespect of came at an inconvenient time. The Chinese reroy at Canton, who was addressed through Sir and disturbed water was seen eronni for over one bation, the scene painter's appearance at the main street of the collections improving in the immediate fu- semble the beggar who would take no food but the local mandarins to give the Hongkong high. The vessel passed the rock within one pany acquitted the rock within the rock within one pany acquitted the rock within the rock foresters every assistance in their power in the mile and a quarter from it. The captain has were well up in their parts, and several songe redeeming point is the hope that, as the Chinese and on sales of rank. were encored. The local hits were good, and have displayed sufficient ability and energy to that Liu, the present Chinese the God of war, which are held on the Feast of We are glad to learn that the outlay of seed. The following extract from the decision of a some which cocarred in Whou the pigs begin put up a telegraph-line, and work it entirely by Representative at Berlin, is to be recalled, and Lanterns, on the ground that such affairs are gathering and rearing the young plants has Court of Inquiry held at the United States to fly," will not be forgotten for many day; themselves, they may now try their hand at a his place taken by Li Fung-pao, a mandarin who usaless and wasteful. In this year of deep caby the Surveyor-General that the Government | Forest Belle, Captain Alex, Noyes, is published drilled, and thir costume, so far as it went, was I should think, whether they could fit the com- the naval students. The rumour goes that Liu no money to stay quietly at home, and reverence

> FOOCHOW. H. B. M.'s surveying vessel Nassau, under command of Captain Napier, arrived at Pageda Anchorage from Amoy on the 2nd instant, and Rice is becoming very dear in this city, left for Wenchow on the 5th instant. She is

materials.—N. C. Daily News Correspondent.

On the morning of the 7th instant, the Gerpaper for Newchwang, struck on Pageda Rock. repairs to her keel

amount is, we hear, exclusive of a previous remittance of 3709.22, and has been subscribed by the foreign community of the port, assisted to some extent by Chinese friends and sympathisers: We understand that the Honorary Secretary Opium Excise office has been appointed Acting | It is reported that the distilleries are about to We have had miserable weather here this year | hopes to make a further remittance when the Taotai. so far. Since the 2nd January there have been lists at present in circulation are returned to

H.E. K'ing, the newly appointed Manchu ening the meeting,

Foochow, will pay a visit to the Canton high | I hear that His Excellency Governor da Silva | General-in-Chief of this province, arrived on the |
The CHARMAN said—Gentlemen, our report officials to concert measures with them for the has sent by telegrand from Singapore announcing lat instant, from the North. His official entry had an additional fine imposed upon him of Saturday last, a little after six o'clock p.m., with Ages," over which His Excellency passed, was, it | Courier. \$400,000, by Li Hung-chang, towards the relief about two hundred passengers on board to witness seems, lined by thoops, as customary on such the distress in the North. This unfortunate the sumual procession of the Cross. As soon as locasions. Over two of the broken arches, which individual was lately a passenger from Formosa these visitors had landed the procession started gave way during the heavy freshet last June, a to Foochow by the Taiwan, where he proceeded from Santo Augustinho to the Cathedral. It wooden platform, or temperary bridge, had to appeal against the fines which had been in- was, as usual, an imposing ceremony. Some for some time previously been standing. On have told upon the height of the canals. In a reflicted, but fluding no redress there he came down hundreds of people, all bearing candles, all the this ricketty structure a number of persons cent trip north of Ta-tsong and Quen-san, I found Li Hung-chang's memorial regarding the stop. to Hongkong and proceeded to Swatow to inter-priests in the Colony, and all the boys of the were permitted to congregate, attracted no almost the whole surface of the country covered view Ting on the subject. If report speaks truly, College, together with nearly all the officials were doubt by the unusual display of steam-launches with water. One day, the wind blowing in gusts

finding Ting relentless, he is determined to fix present. A guard of soldiers with the regimental and house-boats in which His Excellency and too violently for a house-boat "to navigate," I his bend quarters in Hongkong, and this colony band playing a slow murch brought up the rear. suite had been conveyed from Pagoda An. took a walk of three miles among the fields on a famine that is raging, chiefly in Shansi. In is likely to benefit by the permanent residence. The ceremony has been described so often, and is chorage to the Native Custom House adjoining narrow bank not more than six inches above the it of one of the richest natives in the Empire. so well known that it is superfluous for me to go the bridge. The unusual pressure was no doubt water; the fields covered to the depth of from one into particulars of the procession on Sunday. too great for this feeble wooden platform, and, to two feet. The whole body of water must fall The major portion of the Portuguese population | the supports suddenly giving way, over a hundred | two feet to allow cultivation, and where there is | Shansi alone. It is worthy of note that the turned out to witness it, and there was a large persons were precipitated into the river. Fort. so little fall and current this is a slow process. largest number o ctims and the earliest victims unately, the steam launches, already referred to, It becomes quite serious in prospect. The funeral ceremonies for the late Pope Pius were enabled to render timely assistance in Just outside the Foo-Men of this city, the IX. have not been celebrated here yet, nor for the rescuing a large proportion of the drowning people are pumping the water out of the fields lack of funds but from their debilitated constitulate King Victor Emmanuel. I suppose they people, but for which the loss of life would have into the canal; the latter is 18 inches above the tions and consequent inability to resist the enerare waiting for instructions from the Home been far greater. We are assured that the water level in the fields. At some place the vating effects of long-continued deprivation of Government.

Manchu General regards this accident as a bad dykes have "fallen into decay," so the people, at food as well as the drug.

the money was to be given to the vicars, of whom and, we understand, somewhat similar structure. order to save their "beh-dzi" (water-nuts).

a lady suckling a child who could get nothing to of Article 37 of the Tientsin Treaty, in which eat but fish and rice. When she nursed the child the Chinese Custom House authorities were plainit cried greatly, and often the mother found that tiffs and the captain and owners of the steamship assembled to receive his Excellency, who looked vessel, and discovered 253 catties of opium, not continue to increase in the agony of detail, and in China keeping writing on this all-important remarkably well after his voyage, and after the on the manifest, secreted therein. The drug we fear a terrible summer awaits some of the subject, and the result will ere long be evident. usual congratulations had been got through on was of course seized, and subsequently confis. impoverished districts. Being so near the seat | Out of evil good will come. The people's eyes board the steamer his Excellency landed and cated by the Chinese authorities, in addition to of Government, it is to be hoped that active are getting opened to the value and necessity of passed on through the guard of honour to his which the Commissioner of Customs sought to im. steps will be taken by the country to alleviate railways to mitigate the evils of ever-recurring carriage, the band playing the national air and pose a fine of Tls. 500 on the captain and owners | the sufferings of the starving millions. the guard giving the general salute, and, followed of the Taiwan. The imposition of this fine was | The German barque Ceres when entering the | We learn that Dr. Dudgeon has been invited There is nothing stirring in the way of trade ship's cook, was then in custody. In order, how- was sold for \$442. at this dull place, and there has only been one ever, to obtain the Taiwan's release a bond was It seems the inhabitants of the Miaotoo mine, fever, and diphtheria are reported as very 25th of last month attained the pretty high given by the agents for the amount, and the case Islands, opposite Tungchow, and situated about | prevalent. Mr. Richard is doing his very utreserved for argument before the British Consular | 50 miles from this have been reduced to the ut- | most to meet the wants of the people. He has Court on the return of the vessel from Hong- most extremity by the severity of the weather. carned a great name, and he is very highly kong. The case was accordingly heard before They are chiefly fisher folk, and agriculture is spoken of. I am very sorry that I made a mistake in the Taiwan, is not guilty of presenting a false mani. and cut off their communication with the main- medical men take their turn monthly in attending. The last homeward bound French mail steamor note. I sent you concerning the search for the fest, as charged against him under Article 37 of land. Local statistics quote the number of don- to the cases. Large placards, setting forth the | Kangtsc had amongst her passengers the Japanese sunken rock on which the Forest Bells struck by the Treaty of Tientsin, and considers that the keys and mules obtainable, as 72, and these have establishment and objects of the institution, have Embassy and suite for Paris, and the Japanese the Ranger. According to the information which piculs two cattles 53 of opium which were found all succumbed to the dire necessity of supplying been posted over the city. The anti-opium Imperial Commissioners to the Paris Exhibition I obtained I should have said, after scarching on board of said steamship are not part of cargo food to hungry humanity. Millet's price was medicine is given gratuitously—the smokers pay of 1878. These high officials were entertained in the meaning of the Treaty. In the view of \$10 a picul, and very few could afford to buy it, their own way while in the establishment & to dinner by H.E. Admiral Lafond, Governor of Please give room for this correction in order that the Court, goods can only be considered as cargo and altogether times seem to have been very bad short dedicatory service with some speeches fook Cochin China. H.E. the Spanish Minister at

when marked and regularly shipped, and for over there. the judgment of the Consular Court be upheld | the gear of Mars.

WENCHOW.

1st March. Our only present news is that in the heart of the city a tremendous fire has taken place, burning a great number of houses; indeed, but for the intervention of the high prison wall, it threatened to destroy the whole quarter. It cocurred late at night, and by daylight was over : a man, a boy and a girl burned fortunately re-God," for sparing their property, and trusting

SHANGHAL. H.B.M.'s corvette Juno was, under present arrangements, to leave Shanghai for Yokohama on the 15th inst. Her place will be taken by the hot season is expected, if we can believe the gun-vossel Thistic, which arrived in port on the predictions of the Astronomer Royal for Scot-13th inst, and is now moored off the Custom land.—Shanghai Courier Correspondent.

A meeting was hold at the Club on the 8th has paid the rent due by him into the German inst., to consider the advisability of adopting a system of weighing tea here to correspond with Admiral Patterson arrived here on the 12th that at the Port of London; that is to say, that Tientsin are in process of dismission to their inches long, and bent like the handle of a pot. as they would do, because, said they rightly, if instant in the U.S.S. Monocacy and left again upon every package of tea grossing 25-lbs. and homes at an earlier date than usual. They are Forty each make one sen. There is much trade some of them continue the same practice of paddy upwards, an allowance of 1-lb, be made by the each furnished with a peck of grain, and 300 in cattle among the natives. One head of cattle mixture without incurring a penalty, the reseller to the buyer. The feeling was unanimous | cash, with which munificent endowment they are | is worth from five to six yen. Birds and animals | mainder are bound to act likewise. in favour of such a rule, and it was resolved to sent on their way. As many of them have abound. The rice cup of the better. The same member remarks that the way the press the matter upon the stention of the solutely newhere to go, where starvation will not classes is very large, and is made of brass: present campaign has been conducted has modified Thinking it probable that most of your readers | Chamber of Commerce. | meet them, they prefer to run the risk of a pre- that of the common people is of earthenware. the intentions of many. In November and Detect to kindly interest in the little Railway which | We learn from the Shên Pac that the Kai- carious support here. The consequence is, that The Coreans have a great fancy for our Suruga | cember last sales of rice were contracted for at

how! I am told that anything that would float adding, somewhat significantly, that the enter- lacks antecedent probability to was thrown overloadd from the Chinese steamers prise, though under Government suspices, is The officials have been ordering suspension of distinguished by wearing a dirk about one foot many and prevented immense losses in advances.

ture. In fact, the province will have to depend pie, and no pie but mince,

fluenco is failing.

was lately summoned to Poking for audience, has | the opium-smoking resorts of Tientsin and closed been placed in office at the capital as an acting them all, several hundred in number, holding been made a member of the Grand Council "on sible for their permanent closure. This is a part best Australian breeds. probation.". Some ten or twelve years ago, this of instructions recently received from the Vicefunctionary held office as Tactai at Hankow. He roy, in the general line of the opium reform, is succeeded in the governorship of Hunan by already begun elsewhere. Soldiers and officials Wei Yung-kwang, now Lieutenant-Governor of are strictly prohibited from smoking, under severe Chehkiang; and the vacancy caused by the pro- i nonalties. Ying, is transferred to Kiangsi, and Ch'eng Fu, actually took place, however, at 7 p.m., showing

-Daily News.

With respect to the announcement in the L. the scarcity of grain. & C. Express, confirming the telegram formerly sent by Reuter to the effect that Mr. Hannen has been appointed Assistant Judge in the room of the late Mr. Goodwin, we have the best authorelief of the famine in the North. A proper of that he is coming back here by the next French to the city was, we regret to add, signalised by rity for saying that no such appointment has this it is asserted that the rich Formosa planter mail. The gambout Tejo is on her return trip an accident resulting in the less of over thirty been made; neither Mr. Hannen nor any one at lives, and serious injury to many more. The the Supreme Court has received a word about it. toward the relief of the distress in Folkien, has The steamer White Cloud arrived here on Long Bridge, or Bridge of Ten Thousand officially or privately, directly or indirectly.

The recent rains for four months successively

some considerable expense drive down bamboo three months ago in the Lusitano Theatre, The native authorities have commenced to re- stakes and put matting on each side, and fill in Hongkong, for the benefit of the poor of Macao, place the wooden platform that formerly stood over | with earth. It is done by the country village | ing people in Shansi are flocking to Tai-yuen-fu, the above numbers two steamers and fourteen have not yet been distributed. I was told that the broken arches of the Long Bridge by another guild or "farmer's grange." It is necessary in the capital. The daily mortality in the proving sailing vessels left with salt; fourteen steamers. there are four, for distribution, but they have There appears to be little or no movement in the North-east of Ta-tsong, near "Wang-ching," a not yet received it. I would suggest that the direction of rebuilding the arches in question: town quite near the Yang-tsze, is a little hill fund be divided into two parts, one to be used but we hope that the temporary planking will be called "Chuen-shau," which has quite a prefty for the benefit of the poor who subsist by of sufficient strength to withstand the freshets little natural bridge, its arch thirty-eight feet badness in quality. Very many have died from begging, and the other for the benefit of the that may be looked for during the next three high, but not quite so imposing as nature's monu- the intense cold, their systems being greatly mont in Virginia, U.S.A.—N. C. Daily News reduced, and their clothes insufficient, and not a British flag stands on the first line, as is always

11th March. Never within the memory of foreigners, has The strengons exertions made to get grain

what the child got was not milk but blood. The Taiwan defendants. The closing paragraph of there been such a prolonged spell of quiet frost carried into Shansi over the mountainous mother and child were crying together when a the Article just referred to runs:-"The master as we have experienced this winter. For two passes have resulted in about 140,000 picula gentleman went to visit them and himself saw will be responsible for the correctness of the months the buy was never free of ice, which being deposited in the famine regions. Since the There will be a ball given during his stay here this horrible thing. I know there are many manifest, which shall contain a full and true occasionally extended for as the eye could reach, beginning of winter it is calculated that in Shansi account of the particulars of the cargo on board, and was so strong in the harbour that the Chinese from 200,000 to 300,000 people have perished. For presenting a false manifest, he will be liable walked to their junks as far out as the steamer- The condition of South Chihli is also very dis-His Excellency the Governor Carles Eugenio to a fine of five hundred taels; but he will be al- buoy. During the interval, viz., from 1st Janu- tressing. Snow has fallen twice, amounting in Correia da Silva, with his suite, returned here lowed to correct, within twenty-four hours after lary to March, only one steamer visited us, bring- | Shansi to not quite 5 inches, in Chihli around | the China station by the Armide, a somewhat yesterday and arrived a little before five o'clock delivery of it to the Customs" officers, any mistake ing us such a quantity of reading material that Poking to not over an inch. The question asked in the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat | he may discover in his manifest, without incurring | it was impossible to make a commencement. Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, in flowers and vegetables. In Class 1 for fine 1877. From the Working Account it will be considered at the statement of the Company's steamer White Cloud, Captain A. H. this penalty." The ground of action against the Business naturally is at a standstill during in Shansi, from which place he had just come, this penalty." The ground of action against the Business naturally is at a standstill during in Shansi, from which place he had just come, the working Account it will be considered at the standstill during in Shansi, from which place he had just come, the most of the winter, but a good time is ex- was—"Why do not foreigners build us a rail-1877. From the Working Account it will be foliage plants, there was only one exhibitor. The and the Portuguese flag was seen to be flying, a wan atrived in port from Hongkong. Shortly peeted this spring. Fortunately there is no ways They contribute of their wealth to feed gun was fired as a signal for the guard of honour after her arrival at Pagoda Ancherage, the Cus. famine in this province this year, and even on our starving poor, why not make the transit of capital, all working expenses of the Company, usual standard. Bosss were so inferior that the and the band to march to the landing stage; tem House officers, acting, it is believed, on its borders the distress is reduced to a minimum. grain easy and cheap, and thus save thousands and the band to march to the landing stage; tem House officers, acting, it is believed, on its borders the distress is reduced to a minimum. iere soon the officials and a number of residents | special information, searched the saloon of the | The reports from the North, on the other hand, | of lives?" Let the foreign and Chinese Press

without costs." We understand that the Custom ever willing to accept the advice and assistance are very intelligent and will doubtless pick up Excellency's visit personally the next day at the "That I have been directed by the local Taotai House authorities intend to appeal to Peking of foreigners in matters pertaining to war, but something worth knowing. They speak very Spanish Consulate. by order of the High Authorities (The Vice- against the Consul's judgment. A final decision | when the theory of turning their spears into | disparagingly of their own medicine. For years | The Austro-Hungarian Consul here, Monsieur roy and the Governor at Foochow) to reclaim in the case may therefore be looked for when all | pruning hooks is mosted they fight shy. Pumps, | they have been studying Hobson's medical works, | Ernest Grün, has just received a high mark of the beach in front of Kang Akow (between Tau public interest in it has subsided. But whether railroads and mining apparatus, are ignored for and they have also got possession of Dr. D.'s distinction from H.M. the King of Spain. He "That I have appointed a contractor to perform or not, it is very certain that the exorbitant taxes Is a hospitable Taotai an anomaly? If so we in vaccination and wish to introduce it into Chau- the Royal order of Isabel. His friends and ac-

> pieces, from the hands of a celebrated ouisinier. The first steamer from Shanghai for the season was the Chefoo on the 11th inst. and the first from Tientsin is the Haining to-day: get rain soon, the, young wheat will suffer.

> > TIENTSIN.

21st February.

the slaughter of animals at frequent intervals in length, -Japan Gazette,

A memorial from the Governor of Shensi in throughout the winter, with a view to securing

forbidding the usual processions in honour of accompanied M. Giquel to Europe in charge of lamity, he argues, it is better for those who have deprecated the former's frank and truthful re- assist the poor, and do virtuous acts. The day ports as too favourable to foreigners. This has was therefore remarkably quiet. It is thought naturally weakened the effect of the former's that future calebrations of this sort—with the despatches, and if the rumour is true we shall be exception of that of the City God, which is an plad to hail Lin's recall as evidence that his in- official one—will be forbidden by this sensible magistrate.

The Governor of Hunan, Wang Wenshao, who | The District Magistrate has personally visited Vice-President of the Board of War, and has the headmen and constables of districts respon-

motion of this last named official is filled by the Photocont almost total colinge of the moon nomination of Jen Tao jung, Judicial Com- on the 17th, was advertised by the Yamens, in missioner of Kingsi, as his successor. The accordance with the views of the Astronomical Judicial Commissioner of Kwangtung, Kwah Authorities in Peking, to begin at 5 p.m. 'It appointed a few months ago as Salt Comptroller | a disagreement between the celestial powers at Canton, is promoted to the ensuing vacancy, above and the celestial powers below, and the disagreement caused an increase in the tsu-pau We learn that the Acting Tactai quits office chorus, and other amenities, designed to induce in a fortnight and that the acting head of the the heavenly monster to disperge his lungr provbe closed by the Government in consequence of

Two members of the Missionary community are absent in the country engaged in relief work. The sums subscribed at this port, and at Peking, not absolutely large, will probably save thousands of lives.—Shanghai Courier Correspondent.

PEKING.

An important and by far one of the most stringent edicts regarding the cultivation of the poppy that this Government has ever issued, appears in the Cazette of the 2nd month 6th day (March 9th.) Action has already been taken on page of the distillation of spirits from millet, on account of the searcity of grain. Now the poppy is being attacked, called forth by the dreadful regard to this famine we hear of the most harrowing details. It is calculated that already five millions must have suffered in the South of

to the famine have been the opium-smokers. This is what might have been expected, not from We learn that great multitudes of the starvcial capital amounts to nearly 400. Many of and six sailing vessels with general cargo; two these have died from sheer starvation, not a few steamers and one sailing vessel called in simply; from over repletion after a long period of fasting and four steamers and eight sailing vessels left and insufficient food, deficiency in quantity and

few have been actually devoured by wolves inside the case. the city. At the soup kitchens two large bowls of wet millet are daily supplied, and several to date amount to about 663,000 picula, showing thousands have their wants thus satisfied. by an influential Chinaman in view of the famine

try to relieve the distresses of the people. Fa-

Mr. Consul Sinclair, when the following judg. scarcely attended to, only a sparse millet field or The Opium Refuge was opened here the other fish are arriving in large quantities in our marment was delivered:—"The Court rules that two being cultivated. The ico prevented the day, and already there are six inmates, all doing ket. We quote to day for the Sepat 86.68, and Coptain Young, master of the British steamer people from prosecuting their usual occupation, well. Two servants are in charge, and two for the big Cambodian fish \$5.72 per picul. place on the opening day. Both Europeans and Poking, en route to Bangkok, was also a pas-

by searching the ship thoroughly previous to her | plete the forts now in course of erection on the applied to Dr. Dudgeon to attend his hospital | Spanish Consul at our port, after paying a visit "Acting Sub-Prefect of Amoy Pa issues a pro- arrival at Foodhow. Judgment for defendants heights around the harbour. The Celestials are while the Embassy remains in the capital. They to the Governor, who did not fail to return His Anatomical Atlas. They are greatly interested has been presented with the brevet of officer of fail to prevent contraband traffic between a free them at an intermural chop-sticky symposium, a patient at the hospital. The stringency of the due honours. The men-of-war in harbour were "That besides granting him the desired pro- town like. Hongkong and a Chinese port; and but at the residence of a distinguished foreigner [Corean laws prevents natives from living out of guily dressed with bunting and a salute of twenty-

> The Japan Herald says a Swiss gentleman. residing in Yokohama, who has lately returned Accounts from the North relative to the Ta- from Corea, has said :-- "War will shortly break mine are full of horror. The inhabitants of out between Japan and Cores because, since the Lunan-foo on the confines of Shansi were re- treaty of commerce was concluded between the duced to such straits that a shop was actually two countries, the Japanese have imported a opened for the sale of human flash! Could any- quantity of handsome goods, which tempt the thing tell a saider tale? The establishment, Coreans and cause them to lose their former after encouraging cannibalism for two days, was simplicity and become extravagant. There is a The Province of Shantung, as yet, is exempt in strength, but the Japanese insist on their treaty important questions. At this meeting a member from the fate of its neighbours, but unless we rights, and war will probably be the result." The following details relating to the state of ment of this season the Chamber had tried to Though the winter has been severe, the fall of trude in Corea have been communicated to the put a step to the increasing percentage of paddy snow has been inconsiderable, and now that Mai Nichi Shinbur by a person recently returned mixture in cargo rice, which went up as high as Spring is come without her early tears, there is from Fusan :- Prices generally are very low. No 60 per cent. At that time it was thought that a decided lack of moisture in the ground, which curiosities have ever been imported from Japan. there was a possibility of arriving at a friendly will soon tell on the crops—especially as a very The porcelain of the country is very fine : braziers understanding with the Chinese merchants, as and vessels are made of clay. Palm leaf fans are | well with exporters as with the retail buyers of organized with paintings, in various colours. Cholen. It was recognized that this question of human figures and landscapes. Cotton stuffs | could not be settled otherwise than by an arbitrary are made like that which comes from Mikawa, measure, but it was hoped that the Government and the silk is like pongee, but is produced in would not refuse to grant the domand of all the small quantities. The cash in circulation is not merchants. Several small traders of Cholen have The refugees in the relief-yards in and around round like ours. It is of rod iron, about four asked for a decree obliging all their rivals to act

had such a lamentably short existence in Shang- p'ing-mining company, will commence operations the streets are thronged with poor women and paper, tobacco, porcelain, nests of boxes, bronzes, \$1.65 per picul, deliverable in January. In the hai, and that they will be anxious to know what almost immediately. The requisite machinery children, who have no other dependence than leather trunks, gold lacquered tea trays, and meantime prices increased considerably and prohas become of it, I seize one of the opportunities, has arrived in Shanghai from Europe, and seven begging, and whose condition is to the last extent coarse towelling. The Taushima islanders speak gressively, and have attained during this last the Corean language very well, and act as inter- month \$2.40 to \$2.50 and \$2.90 per picul. In few and far between," of communicating with upon the market have been taken up. It is ex. A report is in circulation that the families of preters between ourselves and the native dealers, the presence of such a situation in our market.

JAPAN

YOKOHAMA: There are at present fifty Chinamon living in the settlement of Tsakiji, Tokio, according to the Hochi Shimbun. The Nichi Nichi Shimbum says that the Dopartment of Fereign Affairs has sent orders to the Osaka Fu, to furnish as soon as possible a correct return of the number of Chinese residing

in that city. During January this year articles to the value of 25,029 yen were imported into Cerea by the Japanese settlers. Of these 17,930.50 yen worth was in foreign articles. The exports from Coreaamounted to the value of 13,064.66 yen. The Choud Shimbur contains the gratifying announcement that Their Majesties the Emperor, the Empress and the Empress Downter have subscribed two thousand you towards the Chinese Famine Relief Fund, while the Pasition

and Sangi have also subscribed to the extent of one thousand ven. The M. B. Co.'s steamer Takachike Maru is at present being thoroughly overhauled at Yokoska, and we hear that when rendy for sea she will proceed to Kobe, where she will take in a cargo of rice for Australia, thence returning to Japan with a large number of sheep, selected from the

According to the Nichi Nichi Shimbun, the Chinese Ambassador has paid marked attention to the changes lately introduced into this country by the adoption of the foreign style of dress. The Ambassador acknowledges that the foreign uniform is suitable for the army, but fails to understand why the present court dress-that is, foreign full evening dress-should have been adopted - Japan Mail.

COCHIN-CHINA

SAIGON. 18th February, 1878.

I have very little to report this time. Our market has been very firm, since the commence. ment of this month, and at the same time the demand for our staple has been pretty fair. Owing to the usual native new year festivities the arrivals of grain from the interior have been considerably reduced during the fortnight. We quote to-day \$2.20 to \$2.27 per picul for common. cargo rice, and the botter qualities from \$2.30 to 82.40 per picul in mathags. (It must always be understood that the denomination of common cargo rice and better quality rice, means always. from 20 to 50 per cent of paddy.) Mill cleaned rice is in no demand; we quote nominally \$3.78 per picul for No. 1, and \$3.20 for No. 2; at these prices no buyers or sellers are to be found. Since the commencement of the mouth, several steamers and sailing vessels have found employment, but at low figures: the latest charter for Hongkong by steamers was effected at 141 cents per picul rice with 12 lay days. The demand for tonuage to Hongkong has ceased for the present, and 14 cents can hardly be had now. As for Java, no more than 18 cents are offered for

sailing vessels. Salt fish from the Cambodian lakes has aneared in our market. The last steamer from Phnumpenh brought down somo three thousand nicula, exclusive of the quantity which came by native boats. It is rumoured that this fishing season will be a very good and profitable one. During the past year a hundred and seventeen sailing vessels and two hundred and thirty three steamers came into our port, exclusive of fiftytwo steamers of the M. M. Company. Out of

with ballast, the remaining eighty-eight sailing vessels and two hundred and eleven stoamers, measuring 213,782 tons, all left with rice. The Our exportations from the 1st January, 1878. an increase of more than 150,000 piculs on the exportations of the same period of 1877. The King of Cambodia is expected on a visit here on or about the 26th of the present month.

at Government House, a display of fireworks, a The French iron-clad war vessel Atalante, which left for France lately, will be replaced on

similar class of vessel. I have no change of any great importance to note since my last, dated 18th February. Our market is still decidedly firm and what makes it firmer is the great number of vessels chartered previously, which naturally weighs heavily on our quotations. Supplies from the interior, which fell short during the Chinese new year festivities, began to come inmore freely a fortnight ago. Our present quotations are \$2.20 to \$2.25 per picul for ordinary cargo containing 40 to 50 nor cent, of paddy mixture, and \$2.36 to \$2.38 per pient for the superior quality, containing only 20 to 25 per cent. of paddy. At such high rates orders for Java could by mounted police, was driven to his residence. resisted on the ground that the defendants had harbour about a month ago, got entangled in an to Tai-yuen-fu to attend the Provincial Judge, not be executed. Mill cleaned rice still remains His Excellency seems to be very popular, as no guilty knowledge; that they had used all ice floe, and became unmanageable. A breeze the late Governor of Shansi, and formerly also without demand; the quotations are therefore reasonable precautions to prevent the irregularity springing up, she was carried on the rocks at of Honan, for paralysis. A loud call has also nominal :- \$3.75 to \$3.80 for No. 1 and \$3.15 to in question; and that the actual offender, the English Island, and became a total wrock. She been addressed to him to visit the province and \$3.20 per picul for No. 2 in gunnies of 100 kilos

delivered on board. Our exportations up to the figure of 767,063 piculs. Salt is again in good demand. Upwards of 110,000 piculs have been contracted for lately at 28 to 35 cents per picul. Supplies of Cambodian

senger on the same steamer. His Excellency and We learn that two Corean medical men have Secretary dined with Don. E. A. Soulère, the

> H.M. the King of Cambodia arrived here on occasion. H.E. the Governor paid His Majesty. s visit on the moment of his arrival, and on Monday last a grand ball took place at Government House. To-day there will be a review at 5 p.m. To morrow (Wednesday) there will be a soires at Government House, with

fireworks, etc., and on Friday next the King of

Cambodia will take his departure. His Majesty presented to H.E. the Governor of Cochin China the Grand Cross of his order. A few days ago at a meeting of the Chamber referred to the fact that before the commence-

to others. The greater number of sales con-

tracted here are for Chinese firms of Hongkong, found peace. The Sultan's palace is about six who in order to obtain rice for forward delivery, miles from the harbour, with smooth level paths are bound to make advances amounting to half, leading to it excellent for foot or bridle and the value. The Chamber has tried in vain to consily convertible into good carriage reads. The relieve the buyers from this obligation. If prices country is open and in a high state of cultivative high the buyers here receive grain with a tion. Fruit and vegetables of every kind are great quantity of paddy, and this is given to them abundant and cheap. Tobacco, rice, maize, and as the existing quality in market by the sellers, rope (manufactured from a species of plaintain) VARIOUS NEW DRESS FABRICS. who have previously agreed amongst themselves are brought freely to market, and are placed at to this. Consequently the buyers are at the reasonable prices. Horses are abundant and sell entire mercy of the sellers and the former are at low figures. They are a strong, hardy race, NEW TRIMMED HATS and BONNET only too happy to have received something which and better-tempered than the China and Japan

à la riqueur could be termed rice. The Chamber cannot rely on the concurrence of the Chinese; nevertheless it is necessary to take some stops, because a day will come when of Bornee had done, expressed his great sath disputes will arise, which if brought before the Tribunal of Commerce, will put this court in a great difficulty. A ship captain may arrive at Saigon with a charter-party to take a cargo of rice, and if instead of rice he receives a carge of grain so greatly mixed with paddy, weighing only 900 kilos to the ton, when rice has always been considered as heavy cargo (1,000 kiles to the ton), he will be in the right in protesting. What then will the Tribunal of Commerce do? Can the tribunal invoke the custom of the market when there is none? It is consequently advisable

The method proposed by the member would be to ask of Government to fix by a decree that "for all contracts and charter-parties where there are no special conditions mentioned all morehandise denominated as 'cargo rice' should not contain more than so much per cent. of naildy," and 15 per cent, was set down as a proper

. This measure will not be an arbitrary one, any captain will be at liberty to charter his vessel to carry rice containing as much paddy as he paddy mixture.

of general stores had been abandoned long ago, owing to the unsuccessful attempt to raise the necessary capital for its execution; besides, this Singapore early to-morrow, and I shall try to proposition would be a great impediment to the trade. It is impossible to force the grain to pass through these depots. He adds that previously the value of the events which have transpired shins loading rice here were never filled and to day they are filled without being loaded. All captains now leading cargo rice for a complete cargo are section of the globe has passed into British in the right to protest,

The president supported the motion fixing 15 per cent, of paddy for contracts on charter parties which do not stipulate any proportion. This measure would be similar to the one taken regarding the interest of money, and, like that, it can in no way interfere with commercial liberty being only an optional measure. He is of opinion that the Chamber is competent to decide this sion ought to be brought to the knowledge of merchants through the official Gazette of the Colony. The Government will not object to give publication to this decision. Another member holds that a decree is mos necessary. The Chamber, after a vote of six against three, decided as follows:-- "That in cases where TNROM this date, until further notice, a discontracts and charter parties do not contain any stimulations regarding the quantity of padey current local rate of Premia will be allowedwhich can be mixed with earge rice, the propertion of this mixture be fixed at 15 per cent., and that the Governor be requested to be good

onough to draw a decree to give to this rule the

BORNEO.

force of law."

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT. LABUAN, 15th February. The steamship America, Captain John Graham, arrived here this morning from her trip to Goods stored therein the Sulu Archipelago and as her proceedings during her stay in these waters are of great importance to all interested in the extension of British commerce, I send you a few particulars resident of Hongkong who was a passenger on London expressly for this voyage and fitted with SURANCES to the extent of \$65,000, on first. every convenience for comfortable tropical tra- class risks at current rates. vel, including a saloon 35 feet by 15, built on deck, forward of the engines and with ventila-tion on four sides. The steamer carries a battery of two Armstrong guns, and a Gatling of the of the foner and outer man. She was chartered subject to a Discount of 20 % on the premia, by the American Trading Company of Borneo, and left Singapore for this port on the 12th of December last, with four passengers on board, the President of the Company (Mr. Torrey) Baron de Overbeck, and Messrs. W. Pretyman and W. B. Pryer. She arrived here on the 16th. and left for Brunei (the capital city) on the 19th. H.M. gun vessel Hart, Commander Evans, left the same port the day previous, having H.B.M. Consul-General for Borneo as a passenger. The principal object of the visit to Brunei, on the part of the America, was to arrange for the transfer of the concessions held by the American Company to a syndicate of London merchants represented by Baron de Overbeck. The policy of the United States Government is to discourage in every way the development of American commerce abroad and the expenditure of any capital in foreign countries by its citizens. They prefer that ships, money, and labour should be concentrated at home, and if articles of American manufacture are required abroad the natives requiring them can send one of their own ships for

circumstances of the case having been duly laid before the Sultan, His Highness, after careful deliberation with his Council of State, consented to the transfer, and added to the former grants that of Gaya Island and the mainland opposite, comprising the magnificent harbour known as Gaya Bay. This enormous sheet of water is probably one of the finest harbours in the world, and is capable of sheltering the united fleets of the world. The possession has been coveted and sought for by several of the Continental powers, but without success. Many of your readers will doubtless remember the frantic efforts of Captain Racchia to get possession of it for the Italian Government, and how beautifully his game was blocked by Mr. Pope Hennessy, then Governor of Labuan. His Highness further vested in Baron de Overbook, as the representative of the grantees, by special commission, the sovereignty of the country, and conferred on him the title of Maharajah of Sabat (the native name for the N.W. section of the island), the title of Rajah of Ambong and Marcodu remaining as an honorary one with the HENRY B. HYDE, President. late President of the American Company. By the addition to the old grant the Company's Samuer Borrows, Secretary. territory now extends in an unbrokon line from Kirnarn's Bay on the west coast across the island to Sibuco, on the southern edge of St. Lucia Bay, on the east coast.

them, if they desire them sufficiently. The opposi-

tion and the enmity manifested toward the Ameri-

can Borneo Company in the carrying out of this policy was such that it was considered better to

resign into other and better protected hands the

At the conclusion of her business at Brunei, the America proceeded to Kirnaru's Bay, where she remained a short time and there visited Ambong Bay to look after the French barque St. Joseph, lately sunk there on a voyage from Hongkong to Labuan. She found the wreck lying in 13fathoms water with an anchor down and about 48 fathoms of chain run out—a most extraordinary thing in a vessel reported to be sunk while endeavouring to run on the beach. Only a portion of the mizen topmast remained above water, the natives having stripped her of all her upper spars, sails, and rigging. Cargo and ship were fully could be done, the America proceeded on her THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY To illustrate the vast scope of the work, the Samar, American ship, Miller.—Vogel, Hage: following facts are submitted for consideration. through the Malwalla channel to Sandakan. The approaches to this channel are very imperfectly surveyed and abound with coral reefs and shouls of which the charts make no mention; the navigation is very intricate and requires great caution. From Sandakan the steamer went on to Salu, and anchored in Memberg Bay, about 30 miles south of the petty fort of Bhanner, held Loo YEE, of the Yee On Firm. by Spain, the only result of the attack of the spring of 1876. Here she found H.M.S. Hart. Wond PAR CHEONG, of the San Tye Lee Hong. have one general meaning. Of these examples with Governor Treacher, H.M. Acting Consul Pun Pong, of the Wy Sing Firm. Sultan's communications with the outer world is are perfectly free, and a steady trade flows in this port of all kinds of merchandise, including arms and assumunition of every description. CURRENT RATES to Australia, California, quarto pages. During the fifteen days the America lay at Manila Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and to all Memberg no signs of an enemy were visible in the Treaty Ports of China and Japan. cay direction, and everything to an uninformed | Head Office, 48, Bonham Strand. spectator would have betokened a state of pro-

The America's party called officially on the

Sultan, who when he heard what the Saltan faction at it and his hearty concurrence in any scheme which would tend to open up and civilize the rich and splendid provinces in the mainland now lying waste. He confirmed the grants and created Baron de Overbock Datu Bandhara of Sulu, and at a grand durbar at which all the nobles of his kingdom were present inducted him into office and conferred on him the title of Rajah of Sandakan and Gaya. His commission was read aloud by the Prime Minister under the yellow umbrella of state; the Baron was girded with a splendid kris, and presented with a spear and shield emblematic of his position as the principal noble of Sulu. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the newly-made noble was saluted with twenty-one guns from the Sultan's splendid park of artillery.

The America then proceeded to Sandakan, and anchoring there the Rajah and his friends procoeded in the steam tender Enterprise up the Kina Batangan river, penetrating nearly two hundred miles into the interior, and only roturn. ing (very reluctantly) when their coal was entirely BABY LINEN and LADIES' UNDER oxhausted. No European keel had ever been on pleases, and any merchant will always be at this portion of the river before, nor had the liberty to purchase rice with any amount of natives ever seen a white man. At every village on the route the new ruler was received with the One of the members proposed to adopt the utmost enthusiasm. On the return of the launch to Sandakan, Mr. W. B. Pryer, formerly of proposed some two years ago, obliging the Shanghai, was formally inducted into office as CHILDREN'S HOLLAND and WHIT rice sellers to carry their grain into these depote. Governor of that portion of the grant and at the rendering control possible. By doing so it would same time appointed Vice-Consul of Great be easy to ascertain that all cargo rice for exportation does not contain more than 15 per cent. of saluting him in his dual capacity the America passed again through the Malwalla passage to The president, in answer, said that this question | Gaya Bay, where after a short stay she continued her voyage to this port, where she arrived about half-past twelve this morning. She leaves for

> forward this by her. It seems almost impossible to over-estimate during this brief cruise, by which this enormous The NEW PATENT AUTOMATON UMtract of probably the richest and most fertile hands and to a certain extent will be under the control and jurisdiction of our own government.

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